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Congress Cabinet On Nariman's Exclusion

More Paris Expulsions Of Indians

IMTIAZ ALI KHAN AGAIN ORDERED OUT

Light On British Foreign Office And Embassy Methods

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT)

LONDON, December 13.

Another Indian, Mr. Imtiaz Alikhan, who was a student in Paris hailing from a well-known Nawab family at Karnal, the Punjab, was expelled for the second time from the French territory yesterday, under the order of the French Ministry of Interior.

It is remarkable that during the recent visit of the King to Paris, Mr. Imtiaz was expelled, and was subjected to severe cross-examination. His finger prints were photographed and even he was asked to produce his bank account.

The police were of course satisfied with Mr. Imtiaz's personal income coming from the Punjab and the United Provinces where he has landed property.

On that occasion, the police informed him the French Government had nothing against him, but he was expelled under instruction from "some other people"

On arrival in London, Mr. Imtiaz made representations to the British Foreign Office, which after some time informed him that he could go to Paris, as the French Ministry had granted necessary permission.

ASTONISHING

The most astonishing fact is that the Foreign Office asked Mr. Imtiaz to report himself after arrival to the British Embassy in Paris. There Mr. Imtiaz was given a document purported to have been received from the Ministry of the Interior, giving him permission to stay in Paris only for two weeks.

This document which I have seen is neither signed by any official of the French Ministry, nor bears any date.

I understand that when Mr. Imtiaz asked the Official Embassy in charge of Imtiaz's case to get this document signed and dated, the official said that only redtapism as the French Ministry was responsible for the inconvenience caused to him; but very soon Mr. Imtiaz got the necessary papers of permit from the Ministry.

The official also assured Mr. Imtiaz that the French Ministry desired him to stay in Paris for an indefinite period.

WHEN KABADI WAS ARRESTED

However during recent arrests of Mr. Sunder Kabadi and Mr. Feroze Gandhi in Paris Mr. Imtiaz visited the police headquarters where they were locked and volunteered to get food as the police refused to feed them even at that cost of the accused.

A few minutes before they were put on train, the police interrogated Mr. Imtiaz and asked him why he volunteered to help them. Since then, Mr. Imtiaz was shadowed by the police, and yesterday, he was asked to leave the country. When Mr. Imtiaz asked the British Embassy to intervene and get at least a week's time in order to enable him to settle his affairs in [illegible] as he had been residing there for three years, the Embassy official told him "you must leave as soon as possible; if you do not leave, we will not be responsible for the consequences.".

Mr. Imtiaz arrived in London this morning.

PENALTY FOR HELPING KABADI?

LONDON, Dec. 13.

There was a sequel to the expulsion from France of Mr. Kabadi and Mr. Phiroze Gandhi, when yesterday, Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan, student of the Ecole Hautes Etudes Internationales, son of Umardraz Ali Khan of Karnal, is alleged to have been advised by the British Embassy in Paris to remain in France at his own risk, and thereupon he left for England.

According to Mr. Imtiaz he was detained for 24 hours on July 1 and was served with an expulsion order on July 2 and left for England. After representations at the India House Office, he returned to France to resume his studies. On December 5, Mr. Imtiaz went to the Surete to assist Mr. Kabadi and Mr. Gandhi as interpreter, when he was interrogated by the police and was subsequently informed not to stay in France any longer.—Reuter.

LABOUR LEADERS SEE MUIRHEAD

CALCUTTA, Dec. 13.

Six prominent Labour leaders including Mr. Sibnath Banerjee, member of the Bengal Assembly and ex-Presdent of the All-India Trade Union Congress, had nearly one hour's interview with Col. Muirhead, Under-Secretary of State for India on the latter's invitation, at Government House this afternoon.

The points stressed in the course of the interview on behalf of labour included (1) universal adult franchise. In the alternative labourers and workers should be assured of representation in the Provincial Assemblies equivalent to three times that given to vested interests.

(2) Minimum wages, security of service, old age pension of unemployment allowance to be secured to every labourer.

(3) Joint electorate. (4) Guarantee of civil liberties to all members of labour organisations by preventing misuse of Sections 144 and 107 I.P.C. suiting the convenience of employers.

The labour representatives also unanimously voiced strong opposition to the Federal Scheme.—United Press.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Dr. Pattabhi Seetaramayya, Babu Subash Chandra Bose, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and other members of the Congress dispersing after a meeting on Monday at the Working Committee of Wardha.

Suez Canal And Egypt's Claim

AHMED PASHA'S TALKS WITH RIBBENTROP

Opposition To Lowering Of Shipping Dues To Artificial Level

BERLIN, Dec. 13.

The Egyptian Minister, Moured Sidahmed Pasha, called on Herr Von Ribbentrop this morning and conferred for sometime.

It is believed in diplomatic circles that he took the opportunity to state the view of his Government on the status of the Suez Canal.

It is understood here that Sidahmed pointed out that it was Egypt's standpoint that the Canal should become her property in 20 years' time and as at present she draws large revenues from the Canal.

It will not be in her interest to lower the shipping dues to an artificial level.—Reuter.

MEHERALLY FOR CUTCH

Will Preside Over States' People's Conference On December 25

BOMBAY, December 13.

According to private advices received here from Baghdad, it is learnt that Mr. Yusuf J. Meherally is arriving in Bombay on December 24 next by s.s. "Vasna".

Mr. Meherally will leave Bombay on December 25 by air for Cutch where he will preside over the States Peoples' Conference.—United Press.

STOP PRESS

LITHUANIAN ARRESTS

KAUNAS, Dec. 13.

Foreign circles provoked the week-end disturbances which led to the publication of the decree "for the protection of the State" according to an official statement the ex-Prime Minister Voldemaras who has been arrested. Nine Christian Democrats as well as several followers of Voldemaras are at present under arrest.—Reuter.

BAN ON STATE CONGRESS MEETING

Sir C. P. Prepares Calm Atmosphere For Viceroy's Visit?

TRIVANDRUM, Dec. 13.

The holding of the Travancore State Congress Conference, which was proposed to be held at Vathiyoorkava or any other place within Trivandrum District has been prohibited by the District Magistrate, Trivandrum, until after the conclusion of the visit of the Viceroy or for a period of two months from to-day, whichever is earlier. This order has been issued under Sec. 127 of the Travancore Criminal Procedure Code.

The Working Committee of the Travancore State Congress at its last meeting resolved to hold a conference on December 22, and 23 at Vathiyoorkava, near Trivandrum.—A. P.

NARIMAN AND CORPORATION

Working Committee Leaves It To B. P. C. C.'s Discretion

WARDHA, Dec. 13.

The "United Press" learns that the Working Committee, after much discussion, decided not to interfere in the question of Sjt. K. F. Nariman and leave it to the discretion of the Provincial Congress Committee whether to nominate him or not as a Congress candidate for the Corporation.

This arose out a representation against Sjt. Nariman's exclusion from the nominations made by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee a few days ago.—United Press.

King To Broadcast On "Empire Day"

LONDON, Dec. 13

His Majesty will broadcast to the Empire from Canada during his visit there this summer, according to an Official announcement.

The Broadcast will be on Empire Day. The announcement repeats previous statement that His Majesty will not broadcast on Christmas Day.—Reuter.

JAPANESE FAILURE

Marshal Chiang's Optimism Regarding Future Of Chinese War

CHUNGKING, Dec. 13.

Marshal Chiang Kai-Shek expressed complete optimism regarding the future of the Chinese War when addressing an important Government meeting "somewhere in China" on the anniversary of Nanking's fall. He added: "Using their entire Military, Naval and Air Forces for 18 months, the Japanese have only succeeded in occupying a few points along the lines of communication. The Japanese failure following the capture of Hankow and Canton and also to take vital points in Changsha, Nanchang shows their weakness. They nave been operating on level plains east of Peiping-Hankow Railway. Hereafter, they must engage the Chinese in mountainous areas."—Reuter.

CHINESE RECAPTURE WAICHOW

LONDON, Dec. 12.

The recapture of Waichow is claimed by the Chinese in an official despatch received by the Chinese Embassy. It is further claimed that the Chinese are in hot pursuit of the Japanese who are withdrawing to Poklo.—Reuter.

JAPANESE BOMBERS SHOT DOWN?

Report Denied By Naval Authorities

SHANGHAI, Dec. 13.

The United States, the French and British naval authorities all deny knowledge of the report widely circulated that three Japanese bombers were shot down by American and French warships near Hankow.

The Japanese naval authorities also deny the report.—Reuter.

Working Committee

Resolution On Indian States

MAHATMA'S DRAFT READY

Abul Kalam To Visit Frontier To Settle Differences

WARDHAGANJ, December 13.

The Working Committee had a further sitting this afternoon, when discussion on the need for internal reform of the Congress organisation was continued.

Gandhiji has drafted a resolution on Indian States, which will be passed to-morrow morning.

Mahatmaji is attending to-morrow's meeting also, when it is expected that the scheme for internal reform of the Congress organisation will be passed.

Mrs. Naidu, who was to have left for Madras this evening, has postponed her departure till to-morrow evening.

Khan Ghulam Mahomed Khan, President of the Frontier Provincial Congress Committee, interviewed Gandhiji to-day and explained the purpose of his visit, and thereafter left for Peshawar.—A.P.

TREND OF TALKS

Survey Of Ministerial Activities

WARDHAGANJ, Dec. 13.

General discussion on the States' problem and the communal question in the light of the Muslim League's Delhi decisions took place in the Congress Working Committee.

Regarding the communal question, there is no idea of re-opening negotiations with the Muslim League, so long as Mr. Jinnah insists on the recognition of the League as the sole representative of the Indian Musalmans. But it appears that steps, to assure the Muslims and Minorities that their rights would always be protected, would be taken so that their confidence in the Congress would be strengthened.

Considerable time was spent in reviewing the work of the Congress Governments and the difficulties that arose in implementing the Congress election pledge in certain provinces and limitations imposed by coalitions, as well as representations by the State Congress Bodies in Travancore and Hyderabad.—United Press.

MEETING TO CONCLUDE TO-DAY?

WARDHA, Dec. 13.

It transpires that Gandhiji felt tired, and retired from the Working Committee meeting early.

Accordingly discussion on situation in the States remained unconcluded to-day.

After prolonged discussions with Mahatma Gandhi regarding steps for the purification of the Congress organisation and on Indian States' situation, no resolution has been issued.

It appears that the opinion prevails that nothing has happened to alter the Haripura resolution regarding States.

However, it is expected that a resolution reaffirming the Haripura decision and expressing sympathy with the States subjects will be issued to-morrow, when the Committee is expected to conclude their deliberations.—United Press.

ABUL KALAM TO VISIT FRONTIER

WARDHAGANJ, Dec. 13.

The "United Press" learns that Maulana Abul Kalam Azad will shortly visit the Frontier, in connection with the differences between the Congress Ministry and the Provincial Congress Committee.

This appears to be the outcome of one hour's talk which Mr. Ghulam Mahomed Khan, President of the Frontier Provincial Congress Committee, had with Mahatma Gandhi to-day.

JAWAHAR'S LETTERS.

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru has addressed letters to the President of the Provincial Congress Committee, Peshawar, and Premier Dr. Khan Sahib through Mr. Ghulam Mahomed.

Contents of the communications are not known. But it appears they relate to the demand of the Provincial Congress Committee for restoration of the confiscated fines and properties and the Working Committee's views therein.

While return of fines is discounted, it appears they have been asked, as far as possible, to take steps for the restoration of the confiscated lands and houses.—United Press.

ANEY INVITED BY CONGRESS CABINET

WARDHAGANJ, Dec. 13.

Mr. Aney has been specially invited to attend the Congress Working Committee meeting.

He is the arbitrator in the dispute between the Central Provinces and Berar regarding the allocation of revenues. The matter is pending before the Working Committee.

His assistance has also been sought for resolving the Congress election dispute in the Berar Provincial Congress Committee whose President, the Hon. Mr. Brijlal Biyani, member of the Coucil of State, is also here for the same purpose.—United Press.

TALKS ON BENGAL SITUATION

WARDHA, Dec. 13.

After dinner to-night, Sardar Patel, Sarat Chandra Bose and Subhas Chandra Bose discussed the Bengal situation in the Congress President's room.—United Press.

CONGRESS SESSION DATES

WARDHA, Dec. 13.

To-day, a large number of telegrams were received by Congress leaders protesting against fixing the Congress session during the Holi holidays.

Acharya Kripalani announced this evening that the Tripura session would be held on March 9, 10 and 11 and the All-India Congress Committee and the Subjects Committee from March 7.—United Press.

JAIRAMDAS LEAVES FOR BOMBAY

WARDHAGANJ, Dec. 13.

Mahatma Gandhi returned to

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THE PUBLIC of F and G Wards is hereby informed that in accordance with amended Rule No. 5, Notification No. 236. Education Department, Bombay Castle, Dated 29th January, 1931 Registers of Non-Attending children of school-going-age (boys and girls of all classes and creeds except the boys and girls of Europeans and Anglo-Indians) for the year 1938 are now ready and can be seen from 1st December, 1938 on the Notice Board of the Schools Committee's Office and in the Office of the Special Attendance Officer, F. & G. Wards, Gilder Tank Municipal Buildings, Grant Road, Bombay No. 7, during office hours on any working day. They can also be seen at (1) all the Municipal Primary Schools and (2) all Non-Municipal Aided Primary Schools in the area.

Compulsion in the case of these children shall come into force from 1st December, 1938. The parent (includes guardian and any person, who has the actual custody of a child) of every child of school-going-age i.e. of not less than 6 and not more than 11 years of age (in case of Moslem Girls 6 to 10 years) referred to in the above mentioned Registers to which the Notification applies, ordinarily residing within the limits of F & G Wards, shall cause such child to attend any of the Municipal or Recognised Primary Schools from and after 1st December 1938 and any such parent or guardian, who fails to do so, shall be liable to a penalty prescribed in Bombay Act XV of 1920 except under a reasonable excuse (as mentioned in Section 8 of the Act).

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MEANING OF REASONABLE EXCUSE.

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(c) Where there is no Recognised Primary School within one mile, measured according to the nearest road, from the residence of the child.

The parent or guardian is hereby requested to inspect the Registers and report in time inaccuracies if any in the Registers in regard to his ward, to the Special Attendance Officer, F & G Wards, Gilder Tank Municipal Buildings, Grant Road, Bombay No. 7.

P. G. SOLANKI,
Chairman.
Schools Committee, Bombay.

The Schools Committee's Office
Gilder Tank Municipal, Buildings
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Bombay, 9th December, 1938.
(10112)

THE ASSOCIATED CEMENT COMPANIES, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

The SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATED CEMENT COMPANIES, LIMITED, will be held at the Sir Cowasjee Jehangir Hall, Fort, Bombay, on Friday, 6th January 1939 at 3-30 P.M. (S.T.)

By Order of the Board,
For The Associated Cement Companies, Ltd.
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Managing Agents,
P. J. BILIMORIA,
Managing Director.

Bombay, 14th December, 1938.

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(10104)

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The Mechanical Engineer will on application, give any further information that may be required.

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(Sd.) N. V. MODAK.
City Engineer.

Municipal Offices.
Bombay, 12th December, 1938.
(10106)

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Dated this 13th day of December, 1938.

KHANDWALA & CHHOTALAL.
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K. K. VAIDYA,
Chairman.
(10108)

Legal Notices

HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY.

INSOLVENCY NO. 760 OF 1935.

Re. JAGABHAI DALPATBHAI, of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, formerly carrying on business at Tardeo outside the Fort of Bombay: ..... An Insolvent.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the abovenamed Insolvent has applied to the Court for his discharge and that the Court has fixed the 17th January, 1939, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for hearing the application.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1938.

S. J. RAHIMTOOLA,
Insolvency Registrar,
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CHARLES BRUNO 11-15
REAL BLOWS ARE SELDOM STRUCK IN FIGHT SCENES... THE SOUND YOU HEAR IS THAT OF A FIST SMACKED INTO THE PALM OF A HAND WHICH IS DUBBED IN AFTERWARDS.
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AROUND THE COURTS

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Within 24 hours a young person was arrested twice by the Excise Police in dramatic circumstances. His first arrest was on Sunday last when he was taken into custody on a charge of smuggling liquor on the "dry day." The Excise Police, it is stated, experienced considerable difficulty in effecting his arrest as he put up a desperate fight with the officers. He was, however, overpowered and taken to Bori Bunder Excise Station.

Sakharam Daji (45) was arrested by the Nagpada police yesterday on a charge of kidnapping and committing a serious offence on an eight year old girl.

He was placed before Mr. Brown Presidency Magistrate, this morning at Mazagaon Police Court and was ordered to be released on bail till December 22.

High Court Proceedings Against "Chitrapat" Editor

An application to take contempt of court proceedings against Naginlal Sukhlal Shah, editor and publisher of "Chitrapat," a Gujarati film-weekly of Bombay, was made by Baburao Govindrao, before the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Lokur at the High Court.

Mr. Kantawala, advocate, appeared for the petitioner.

The petitioner stated that he is in the employ of Calcutta Film Exchange.

The opponent, it was stated, wanted the firm to give large advertisements to his paper, the "Chitrapat," but he was informed that the firm's policy was to treat all film-journals alike and that his journal could not be treated more favourably than others.

"Vilifying Campaign"

Thereafter, it was alleged, the opponent started a systematic campaign of vilifying the petitioner's firm.

Their Lordships admitted the application and issued a rule against the opponent

John Cowas alias Hirji Bhagwan who it was stated to have broken into a house by removing iron bars yesterday morning at Khetwadi 10th Lane, was ordered to be released on bail in a sum of Rs. 100 (cash Rs. 50) at the Girgaum Police Court this morning.

Said To Have Stabbed Two Seriously When Tipsy

Ram Wadi at Kalbadevi was the scene of great excitement yesterday night, when a man, armed with a big clash knife, chailenged the passers-by and is alleged to have indulged in an indiscriminate assault on all and sundry resulting in two persons being seriously stabbed. The two victims are now in G. T. Hospital in a precarious condition.

The assailant was ultimately overpowered by the public, and he too had to be removed to the hospital. It is said that a few members of the public assaulted him with sticks The suspect is also in hospital.

The police, in applying for remand of the accused to custody, stated to-day before the Chief Presidency Magistrate that the accused, accompanied by another man, entered Ram Wadi at about 10 p. m., yesterday. The accused, it is alleged, was tipsy and stabbed two persons.

The Magistrate directed the accused to be remanded to custody.

That death was caused by Tetanus, which developed while the deceased was under treatment in hospital for injuries received from a motor car, this was the verdict of the Bombay Coroner's Jury today, at the inquest on Viranna Venkayya Souar (32) who was knocked down by a motor car, while sleeping on the road outside a garage at Nusserwanji Petit Street on he night of October 13.

A rider was added by the jury that "on the evidence we cannot say that the driver of the motor car was responsible for causing the death of the deceased. It is open to the police to charge him before a Magistrate under some other section of the Penal Code or under the Motor Vehicles Act.

Taxi-Car Collision

A taxi (Y 5916) proceeding along Grant Road from Play House is stated to have dashed into a private car (T/8696), which was being driven along Balaram Street towards the Railway Hotel on Charni Road, at the Charni Road corner during the early hours of this morning.

As a sequel an occupant of the private car is stated to have been thrown out and others in the car were injured.

Ebrahim Mukhtyar, the driver of the taxi who was arrested by the Lamington Road Police, was ordered to be released on bail at the Girgaum Court this morning.

Alleged Cheating

Fatehkhan Gulam was taken into custody by the Lamington Road Police on charges of cheating and abetment thereof.

It was stated that the accused, along with three others, induced people to part with money in lieu of a 'Talisman' and 'figures' (Satta).

It was further stated that the complainant in the case was asked to show up all the money he had on his person and the accused disappeared with it

Pending further enquiries, the accused was ordered to be released on bail at the Girgaum Court.

Two Women Arrested For Alleged Gambling

Fifteen persons, including two women were arrested by the City police last night, in different parts of the City on a charge of "Satta Gambling."

All the accused persons were put up before Mr. I. S. Haji, Presidency Magistrate, today, at Mazagaon and were ordered to be released on bail.

Accidental Death

A verdict of accidental death was passed by the Bombay Coroner's Jury today, at the inquest on Vijkuwarbai Vallabhdas (20) who died of burn injuries in the G. T. Hospital yesterday.

A two year old child died of burn injuries in the K. E. M. Hospital on December 11, due to bursting of a Petromax lamp.

A verdict of accidental death was recorded at the inquest today.

Suicide Verdict

A verdict of "suicide" was returned by the Bombay Coroner's Jury to-day, at the inquest on the body of an unidentified Hindu, who was knocked down by a G. I. P. Railway local train on December 11.

It appears that the deceased made a successful attempt at suicide by throwing himself in front of the train running from Sewri to Wadala.

Dr. D. P. Ghadiali Returns From U. S. To India After 30 Years

Founder Of "Spectrochrome" Institute He Enhanced Indians' Reputation

Dr. Mulchand K. Kapadia, editor, "Jain-Mitra and Digambar Jain" writes from Gandhi Chowk, Surat:—

"An Indian gentleman of international repute, in the person of Col. Dr. Dinshah Pestonji Ghadiali, will be returning to his mother country shortly, from America after the lapse of about 30 years. Dr. Ghadiali is a resident of Surat, and in the first decade of this century made his mark as a man of multifarious activities, including journalism. He was the editor of "Apakshapat" ("Impartial"), and was involved in some defamation case while editing it. He created quite a sensation at that time by announcing some of his startling inventions, and to give full scope for demonstrating their values he proceeded to America, and stayed at Malaga and New Jersey.

He invented the Spectrochrome, a machine by which diseases are cured with the aid of the sun's rays. He founded the Spectrochrome Institute which has attraction and considerable interest in the New World. He has got several degrees and is either President, Vice-President or member of about a dozen big institutions in the U. S.

His inventive genius enhanced considerably India's reputation in the eyes of the Americans.

ON VISIT TO EUROPE AND INDIA

He is editing and publishing a magazine called the "Spectrochrome" for the last 14 years. Leaving U. S. on 18th January, 1939, he will proceed to Scotland and England, and reach Bombay on 18th February next, per motorship "Cilicia", and will proceed his home town, Surat, two days' later.

Dr. Ghadiali's second wife (Mrs. Irene Grace) is also taking active part in her husband's activities in the Institute, with whom her seven sons and also Dr. Ghadiali's daughter by his first wife are collaborating.

In order to give benefit of his ripe experience to his countrymen, Dr. Ghadiali, at the age of 66, is coming to India, and will deliver lectures in Gujarati and English in different parts of India, after which he will again sail for the U. S. on the 12th May, 1939, by the same boat ("Cilicia").

Dr. Ghadiali, it will be remembered, stood for Governorship of New Jersey last year, but failed by a small margin of votes. He is a strict vegetarian, well-versed in Zoroastrianism, and is bringing with him to India some of his invented machinery weighing about 1,000 lbs

PARLE MUNICIPAL MEETING

(From Our Correspondent.)

ANDHERI, Monday.

The Independents knew that they were fighting a lost battle when the Andheri-Vile Parle Municipal Board met yesterday morning to elect a Vice-President and the various Executive Committees to carry on the day-to-day administration of the municipality. Their nominees were all defeated except in the case of Mrs. Chemburkar who was proposed for the chairmanship of the Markets and Garden Committee. When the name was put up as a substitute for that of Mr. Alvares, the official Congress nominee, Mr. Pereira rose and said that as the only lady member of the Municipality and having secured the largest number of votes at the Committee election, she was entitled to better consideration at the hands of the other sex. His appeal for chivalry found an echo in the hearts for several ardent Congressmen and they prevailed upon Mr. Alvares to retire in her favour which he did with grace. Her election was acclaimed with cheers, she being the first Lady-chairman of any Committee in the municipality.

For the Vice-Presidentship, Mr. Misquitta's name was proposed by the Congress Party, while Mr. Paul Pereira's name was put forward by

(Continued in Col 3)

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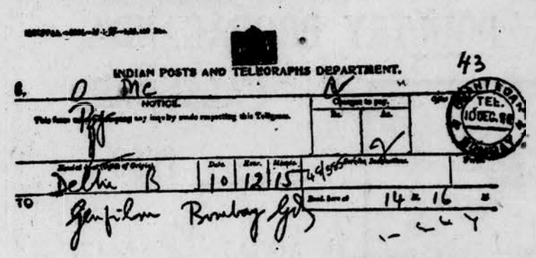

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THE MINERVA

(Continued from col. 5).

Mrs. Chamburkar on behalf of the Independent Group.

Mr. Salastekar was elected Chairman of the Managing Committee, Mr. P. J. Misquitta of the Roads Committee, Mr. Desai of the Sanitary Committee while Dr. Bhatt got two chairmanships viz. that of the Lighting and Dispensary Committee Mr. Kasotia, Advocate was elected chairman of the Law Committee. Owing to the attitude shown by the Independents, every panel had to be balloted and it took nearly three hours to finish this work.

The following is the list of the personnel elected to several Municipal committees:—

MANAGING COMMITTEE

Mr. V. V. Salsteker (Chairman), Mr. V. N. Samant, Mr. N. B. Oza, Mr. N. J. Alvares, and Mr. S. N. Kelbag.

SANITARY COMMITTEE

Mr. R. N. Desai (Chairman), Mr. K. B. Shah, Mr. N. B. Oza, Mr. M. K. Patil, and Mr. L. V. Limaye.

ROAD AND BUILDING COMMITTEE

Mr. P. J. Misquitta (Chairman), Mr. N. J. Alvares, Mr. K. B. Shah, Mr. J. M. Khurani, and Mr. U. B. Kasotia.

LIGHTING COMMITTEE

Dr. R. P. Bhatt (Chairman), Mr. P. J. Misquitta, Mr. V. V. Salstekar, Mr. S. G. Merchant, and Mr. P. A. Pereira.

LAW COMMITTEE

Mr. V. B. Kasotia (Chairman), Mr. J. M. Khirani, Mr. Pereira, Dr. R. P. Bhatt, and Dr. S. N. Kalbag.

MARKET AND GARDEN COMMITTEE

Mr. N. J. Alvares, Mr. B. M. Sawant, Mrs. Ramabai Chemburkar, Mr. G. Y. Dani, and Ratubhai Desai.

After disposing off certain other municipal matter the meeting rose for the day.

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Appeal To Voters

Dr. R. M. Bhoir, Organising Secretary of the Poor People's Party, has issued the following appeal to the voters of Dadar-Matunga-Sion Ward:—

The Poor People's Party has the pleasure and privilege of announcing that Mr. B. G. Horniman, Editor of the "Bombay Sentinel," is standing from the Dadar-Matunga-Sion Ward as this Party's candidate for the forthcoming Municipal elections.

Mr. Horniman is the man who, for 33 years has fought for the people and never betrayed or failed them in any cause on any occasion.

He is the friend and champion of every community and every cause. He was the pioneer in the cause of Labour in Bombay and was organising and leading strikes 25 years ago when Labour was yet finding its feet. He was to the fore among those who founded the Trade Movement in this city.

He is still the champion of Labour, but he does not forget the claims of the oppressed and exploited middle-class worker, or of any class or community that is oppressed or exploited in any manner whatsoever.

He will help you to clean up the city. No one is better fitted for the job.

The Staff and Students of the Engineering College, Benares Hindu University are celebrating their annual "College Day" on 23rd and 24th instant. Old students of the College are invited to attend the function.

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

(IN FORCE FROM OCTOBER, 1938)
Arrivals at and Departures from Victoria Terminus.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6 00	22 10
Peshawar Lucknow (Exp.)	6 15	23 00
Calcutta Mail (Nagpur)	7 50	17 40
Calcutta Mail (Chheoki)	9 00	0 45
Madras Express	10 10	15 00
Poona Mail	10 25	17 30
Punjab Mail	11 15	18 50
Nagpur Express	13 50	21 35
Poona Fast (Pass.)	17 00	11 50
Poona Express	19 24	8 05
Allahabad Express	20 15	7 00

B. B. & C. I. Railway

Time-table in force from 1st October, 1938.
Arrival at and Departures from Bombay Central.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13.50
Delhi Express	6 0	22 15
Gujarat Mail	6 45	22 00
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15	21 15
	(Mon)	(Sat)
*The Flying Ranee Surat	9 48	15 10
The Flying Ranee, Surat	10 58	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	18 45	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 33	9 25

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, this train will run on Tuesday.

AIR MAIL TIMINGS

ARRIVALS AT BALLARD PIER.

	Arr.
Frontier Mail (On Saturdays only for Homeward Passengers)	8 40

The following air mail time table is in force in Bombay:—

LONDON—BOMBAY (Juhu).

Planes call at Karachi, Bhuj, and Ahmedabad.

Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at 1 p.m.

Delivery: Monday (two deliveries) 8 a.m. and 3-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday 3-30 p.m.

BOMBAY (Juhu)—LONDON.

Planes call at Ahmedabad, Bhuj and Karachi.

Latest hours of posting at the G. P. O.:—Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 7-30 a.m. Departure from Juhu 10-15 a.m.

BOMBAY (Juhu)—Colombo.

Planes call at Hyderabad, Madras and Trichinopoly.

Latest hours of posting at the G. P. O.:—Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday 11-30 a.m. Departure from Juhu 1-30 p.m.

COLOMBO—BOMBAY (Juhu).

Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 9-45 a.m. Delivery, Sunday 12-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 1 p.m.

BOMBAY (via Calcutta)—SINGAPORE and AUSTRALIA.

Latest hour of posting:—Sunday, Monday and Friday 6-30 p.m.

AUSTRALIA—BOMBAY (via Calcutta)

Delivery:—Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 11 a.m.

BOMBAY (via Calcutta)—HONGKONG CHINA AND JAPAN.

Latest hour of posting:—Monday and Friday 6-30 p.m.

HONGKONG—BOMBAY (via Calcutta)

Delivery:—Tuesday and Saturday 11 a.m.

BOMBAY—KATHIAWAR.

Planes call at Bhavnagar, Rajkot, Jamnagar and Porebunder.

Departures from Juhu: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7-15 a.m.

Arrivals:—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 6 p.m.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

Bombay—I Programme

VUB 244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

A.M. 8-0 Records 8-30 Selected by Abdul Razzaq.

NOON 12-0 Rambhau Ashtekar.

P.M. 12-30 For Women 12-45 Sirish G. Upadhyay 12-55 Market Rates, Announcements 1-5 Music 3-30 Pageant of Living Things. By Prof. J. F. R. D'Almeida, 3-50 Music 3-55 Johnson. By Prof. F. Correa-Afonso 4-15 Babar 6-0 Your Name from the Ragas 6-5 Sirish G. Upadhyay 6-15 Rambhau Ashtekar 6-30 For Bhumijan 7-30 Commercial News 7-45 Alla Rakha 8-0 Persian Carpets 8-15 Bombay Orchestra 8-25 Roshanara Begam 9-15 Mustafa Durrani 9-30 News 9-50 Agnes Barrett: Piano Recital 10-5 Nelson Eddy: Baritone 10-10 World Affairs A relay from BBC 10-25 Frieda Dyer: Contralto 10-35 Lepold Stokowski and the Philadelphia Orchestra 11-0 Epilogue.

Bombay—II Programme

TRANSMISSION I.

31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)

A.M. 8-0 to 9-0 and NOON 12-0 to 2-0 and 3-30 to 4-30 P.M. As in Bombay I.

61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

P.M. 6-0 to 6-30 As in Bombay I 6-30 Sirish G. Upadhyay: Gujarati Songs 6-40 Gopal Singh 6-55 Rambhau Ashtekar 7-20 Evening Star 7-30 to 10-5 As in Bombay I 10-5 Roshanara Begam.

Delhi—I Programme

VUD 338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

8-0 A.M. Mukerjee and His Music Makers: Usha 8-10 Mushtaribai of Agra 8-30 A Sitar Recital: Jogia 8-40 Vakil Ahmed Qidwai 9-10 Valayat Khan 9-30 Mohammad Sharif Bhairvin on sitar 9-40 Mushtaribai of Agra.

NOON 12-0 For Highbrows.

P.M. 1-0 Listen While You Lunch 2-0 Music Lesson by Habibullah 6-10 Valayat Khan 6-30 Women's World 7-0 For Villagers Only 8-0 Mushtaribai of Agra 8-10 Story 8-30 Popular Ghazals 8-45 A Sitar Recital: Eman Kalyan 8-55 Mushtaribai of Agra 9-50 Vakil Ahmed Qidwai 10-5 Gat Tora on Tabla by Malang Khan 10-10 World Affairs Relayed from BBC 10-20 Valayat Khan.

Delhi—II Programme

TRANSMISSION I

31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s)

A.M. Eight Music 8-30 to 9-10 As in Delhi I 9-10 Classical Music 9-30 Indian Music.

31.3 metres (9,50 kc/s)

NOON 12-0 to 2-15 P.m. As in Delhi I.

6,48 metres (4,960 kc/s)

P.M. 6-10 Mushtaribai of Agra 6-35 A Sitar Recital: Shankara 6-45 Vakil Ahmed Qidwai 7-0 Valayat Khan 7-20 Mushtaribai of Agra 7-40 Your Selections 8-20 Story 8-30 Indian Music 9-50 Indo-European Orchestra 10-10 World Affairs 10-30 Tara Sirkar: Mezzo-soprano 10-45 Boston Promenade Orchestra.

Delhi—III Programme

TRANMISSION I

19.8 metres (15,160 kc/s)

A.M. 8-0 to 8-30 As in Delhi II 8-30 to 10-0 As in Delhi I.

NOON 12-0 to 2-15 P.M. As in Delhi I.

31.3 metres (9.590 kc/s)

P.M. 6-0 to 7-0 As in Delhi I 7-0 to 8-0 As in Delhi II 8-0 to 11-0 As in Delhi I.

RACE CARD SELLERS ON ROAD

With the return of the racing season in Bombay, the sellers of race cards and booklets are making their presence felt. Many people complain that they rush about the streets recklessly in their eagerness to get their supply sold off as soon as possible. The same is true of newspaper vendors—particularly of evening editions. The Flora Fountain and Bori Bunder junctions, the Hughes Road approach to Kemp Corner, the bottom of Warden Road and the approach to the Race Course are some of the situations in Bombay which need looking after.

Motorists can help in removing this nuisance by refusing to buy from vendors who approach them in the roadway. They should draw up at the kerb to make their purchases.

Steps must be taken to put an end to this interference with the movement of traffic. Newspaper boys, race-card sellers, handbill distributors and beggars are in the habit of approaching busses, tram-cars and even moving automobiles on the roadway. This is not only a dangerous practice but it also interferes with the movement of traffic. No person should be allowed to stand or loiter on the roadway, other than a safety zone, if this interferes with the lawful movement of traffic.

Marathon Cycle Run

The Bombay Presidency Olympic Association are arranging the Marathon Run on Sunday the 18th instant. The Route will be as follows:—

From Car Park at the Junction of Queens Road and Churchgate Street, along Churchgate Street Extension, Marine Drive, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar, Ridge and Gibbs Roads to Kemp's Corner, Warden Road, Breach Candy, Hornby Vellard, Love Grove Road, Worli Road, Cadell Road, Old Parbhadevi Road, Portuguese Church Street, Gokhale Road North, Lady Jamshedjee Road, Mahim Causeway, Ghodbunder Road to its junction with 1st Road, Khar, turn left along 1st Road, turn right along Linking Road, turn right again along Main Avenue, Santa Cruz to St. Teresa's Convent High School, turn right along Ghodbunder Road to Mahim Causeway, Lady Jamshedjee Road, Gokhale Road North, Portuguese Church Street, Old Parbhadevi Road, Cadell Road, Worli Road, Love Grove Road, Hornby Vellard, Warden Road, Breach Candy, Gowalia Tank Road to Kemp's Corner, Hughes Road, Sandhurst Bridge, Opera House, Lamington Road, New Queen's Road and Queen's Road to Churchgate Station.

Entries close on Thursday 15th December, 1938. Competitors are requested to report themselves for medical examination at the Bombay Presidency Olympic Association Office, Lalgir Chambers, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay on Saturday between 2—3 p.m.

The run will start punctually at 6-30 a.m.

All-India Weather

(From Our Correspondent)
POONA, Dec. 13.

The following are the maximum minimum temperature and rainfall figures recorded at various stations during twenty-four hours ending 8 a.m. to-day:—

Station	Temperature Max	Temperature Min.	Rainfall Past 24 Hours	Rainfall Total Since 1st Nov.	Rainfall Differences to Normal
Agra	75	41	—	...	—0.2
Amraoti	65	58	—	...	—0.7
Akola	82	48	—	...	—0.6
Ahmedabad	86	59	—	...	—0.2
Ambala	68	40	—	...	—0.4
Allahabad	77	45	—	...	—0.4
BOMBAY	90	71	—	1.1	+0.7
Bangalore	80	56	—	0.1	—3.1
Baroda	86	48	—	...	—
Belgaum	80	57	—	1.1	—0.7
Bijapur	82	53	—	0.1	—1.1
Bhavnagar	84	53	—	...	—0.1
Cawnpore	81	47	—	...	—0.5
Calicut	89	69	—	1.4	—4.3
Colombo	89	73	—	5.6	—9.2
Delhi	75	44	—	...	—0.3
Hyderabad (Dn.)	83	50	—	...	—1.1
Hyderabad (Sd.)	80	54	—	...	—0.1
Indore	77	42	—	...	—0.5
Jhansi	78	43	—	...	—0.3
Jubbulpore	79	42	—	...	—0.6
Jaipur	78	45	—	...	—0.2
Karwar	91	65	—	1.8	—0.1
Karachi	83	62	—	...	—0.1
Khandwa	82	43	—	...	—0.6
Lucknow	79	43	—	...	—0.2
Multan	78	42	—	...	—0.1
Mysore	81	58	—	0.4	—2.4
Madras	83	69	—	2.6	—14.5
Marmagoa	90	69	—	1.0	—
Malegaon	81	45	—	0.1	—0.5
Mangalore	92	69	—	0.1	—1.2
Nagpur	81	49	—	...	—0.9
Patna	79	51	—	...	—0.3
Peshawar	78	42	—	0.1	—0.4
Poona	82	45	—	0.3	—0.7
Rangoon	92	72	—	9.9	+7.0
Ratnagiri	91	70	—	2.9	+2.0
Rajkot	86	56	—	...	—0.2
Sholapur	84	53	—	...	—1.3
Surat	88	61	—	...	—0.2
Trichinopoly	87	67	—	0.6	—5.9

POONA WEATHER

POONA, Dec. 13.

The weather has been dry. The western disturbance is moving eastwards through the extreme north.

Forecast until the evening of December 14th: Scattered light showers will occur in the south-east of Madras and Kashmir.—A.P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 13-12-1938.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours plus .017 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 74.4 degrees.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 62.6 degrees.

Maximum temperature during 24 hrs 89.9 degrees 3.2 (above normal)

Minimum temperature during 24 hrs 70.8 degrees 2.2 (above normal)

Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 49 per cent.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. ENE

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 12 miles per hour

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 179 miles

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 19 miles per hour

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 0

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Muslim: Shaval 21, 1357
Parsi: Tir 10, 1308
Hightide: 4-55 17-47
Lowtide: 11-48 23-28
Sunrise: 7h. 3m
Sunset: 6h. 3m.
Textile Wages Enquiry Committee's meeting, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Town Hall
Municipal Schools Committee, 4-40 p.m.
Lecture of Mr. A. B. Latthe, Finance Minister, on "Some Social Aspects of Govt. Finance", Nagpada Neighbourhood House 6-30 p.m.

Friday, December 16.

S S 'Comorin' with mails from London of the first instant due at 3 a.m.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

The N Y K steamer 'Nagato Maru' left Colombo for Bombay on the 12th December, and is due to arrive here on Friday, the 16th December at day light.

WAYS TO ETERNAL HARMONY

Swami Sadananda will lecture in English at the Theosophical Society, Blavatsky Lodge Hall, French Bridge, Chowpatty, to-day (Wednesday) at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) on "Ways to Eternal Harmony."

MATUNGA BANDHU SAMAJ

Under the auspices of the above Samaj, Mr. Sanmukhlal H. Jokhaker will deliver a public lecture on "Commercial Frauds and How to protect oneselves" at Mani Nivas to-day (Wednesday) at 8-30 p.m.

MULUND CONGRESS COMMITTEE

The list of the names of the members of Mulund Taluka Congress Committee is ready and kept for inspection for the members intending to see at Sjt. Vrajlal Astik's premises, Palival Villa, Mulund between 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

GANAPATI SCHOOL (MANGALORE) OLD BOYS' MEETING

Old students of the Ganapatti High School, Mangalore, are requested to meet Sjt. M. S. Ekambara Rao, Head Master of the School, to-day (Wednesday) after 6-30 p.m. at 315 Anandashram (Mr M. M. Mundkur's bungalow), Matunga.

ALL MAHARASHTRA PHYSICAL CULTURE CONFERENCE

The Honorary Secretary, Publicity Committee, of the A. M. P. C. C. writes:

Owing to the request made by Educational Conference and others, the 9th session of the above Conference will be held at the St. Xavier's College Stadium, Parel, under the presidentship of General Nanasaheb Shinde on the 24th and 25th instant instead of the 27th and 28th instant as published previously

ALL-INDIA HEREDITARY AYURVEDIC CONFERENCE

This Conference will be held on the 25th and 26th of December, 1938, in the City of Bangalore, under the presidentship of Bhishagacharya Pandit Taranathji.

During the session of this Conference a "Rasayana Charcha Parishat" under the presidentship of Kabiraj Bijayakali Bhattacharya, M.A., Sukhyatirtha, Vedanta Shastri, Rasacharya, Calcutta, and an "Ayurveda Vidwat Sammelan" under the presidentship of Kaviraj M. K. Mookerjea, B.A., Ayurveda Shastri, Editor, Journal of Ayurveda, Calcutta, will also be held.

Those who wish to read any paper before the Vidvat Sammelan, should submit a copy of same to this office before the 22nd instant. The subject to be dealt with in the papers should be thought-provoking and written in simple and easy style. The Subject Committee reserve the right of allowing only the best ones to be read. Every paper must be original and and it should not take more than 15 minutes in reading.

An Exhibition of Ayurvedic Preparations shall be opened on the 24th instant.

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AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

BROADWAY—"Kid Golahad" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Rackets Busters" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"My Son" Daily at 5, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Marcus Show" Daily at 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EROS—"60 Glorious Years" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Zamana" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Lalbuzakkad" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Brambachari" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
MINERVA—"Street Singer" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"The Texans" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m
OPERA HOUSE—"Industrial India" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m
PATHE—"Who Goes Next?" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
PLAZA—"Gopal Krishna" Daily at 5, 7-45 and 10-30 p.m.
REGAL—"Gateway" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Adhikar" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.
SUPER—"Dobule Cross" Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-45 p.m.
WEST-END—"Professor Vaman M. Sc." Daily at 5-15, 8 and 10-30 p.m.

ADULT EDUCATION

Prof. Parakh and Dr. M. Carelli will meet their students in French and Italian (Junior) in the University, South Wing and St. Xavier's College, to-day (Wednesday) at 6 p.m. and 6-30 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS

A Question and Answer meeting will be held to-day (Wednesday) at 6-15 p.m. at Jehangir Wadia Building opposite Flora Fountain.

KANHERE SHASTRI'S LECTURE

Prof. Sadashiv Shastri Kanhere, of London University will speak on "My Impressions of English life" in the Marathi Granthalaya Hall, Bhai Jiwanji Lane, Thakurdwar at 6 p.m. to-day (Wednesday).

ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY

An ordinary monthly meeting of the Society will be held in the rooms of the B. B Royal Asiatic Society, Town Hall, Bombay, to-day (Wednesday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.)

PAPERS TO BE READ

The Bengali Almanac.

Worship of Jackals in Ancient India and the analogous Worship of Wolves among the Kahars of South Bihar.

By Mr. Sarat Chandra Mitra, M.A., B.L.

POSTAL NOTICE

As the Fast Gulf Mail steamer s. s. Vasna is now due to sail on 16-12-38 after the arrival of English mail steamer s.s. 'Comorin' which is expected to arrive in Bombay on 16-12-38 at 3 a.m. the following will be the latest hour of posting of correspondence and parcels at the Bombay G. P. O. for the offices in Iraq, Iran and Persian Gulf.

Unregistered correspondence upto 6-30 p.m. on 15-12-38.

Registered correspondence upto 5 p.m. on 15-12-38.

Parcels correspondence upto 5 p. m. on 15-12-38.

The latest hour of posting in the Town Sub Offices will be notified by those offices, and it will be so regulated as to ensure the receipt of the postings in the Bombay G. P. O. in time to be included in the last despatch from that office.

POSTAL NOTICES

Superscribed registered and unregistered correspondence for Jedda (Hedjaz) per s.s. 'Akbar' via Karachi will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 4-30 and 5 p.m. respectively on Thursday, the 15th instant.

Superscribed registered and unregistered correspondence other than letters and postcards for South Africa and all correspondence for Laurenzo Marques per s.s. 'Gujarat' via Madura and Colombo will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 5 and 6-30 p.m. respectively on Thursday, the 15th instant.

Registered and unregistered correspondence other than letters and postcards for Straits Settlements, Hongkong and all correspondence for Shanghai via 'Negapatam' will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 5 and 6-30 p.m. respectively on Thursday, the 15th instant.

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Bombay Economic And Industrial Survey Committee

The Secretary, Bombay Economic and Industrial Survey Committee, writes:—

With reference to the headlines appearing in your issue of the 12th instant regarding the work of my Committee, I am directed to inform you that it was not the first meeting of the Economic and Industrial Survey Committee that was held on the 10th instant but the sixteenth. I may add for your information that the first meeting was held on the 23rd April 1938 just after the appointment of the Committee. I hope you will publish this correction in your next issue.

"SOME SOCIAL ASPECTS OF GOVT. FINANCE"

Mr. Latthe's Lecture

The Hon. Mr. A. B Latthe will speak on "Some Social Aspects of Government Finance" at the Nagpada Neighbourhood House to-day (Wednesday) at 6-30 p.m. under the auspices of the Tata Graduate School of Social Work. This is the first of a series of seven lectures by the Bombay Ministers on the topic "The Social Programme of the Government of Bombay" Mr. S. D. Saklatvala, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, will preside.

'Parle Gujarati Mandal's Trip To Jogeshwari

The Hon. Secretary, Shree Vile Parle Gujarati Mandal writes:

A pleasure trip was arranged by Vile Parle Gujarati Mandal to the Jogeshwari caves on Sunday last. A party of about 275 persons including women members of the Mandal and children took part in the trip. A dinner was arranged in the Dharamshala near the caves. The programme consisted of Garba dances, music, children's sports and speeches. In the afternoon, a meeting was held, when the office-bearers of the Mandal gave an account of the progress of the Mandal, which had on its rolls about 225 ordinary members including 100 women Besides it had 21 life members.

The Mandal has been arranging from time to time lectures, gatherings, pleasure trips etc. It has started classes for ladies for teaching, cutting, embroidery work, fancy work, etc. and has also started for their benefit a small library. A volunteer corps has been established for children. These activities are conducted temporarily at the residence of Mr. Chandulal Manilal Choksi.

The gathering dispersed late in the evening.

Memorial Meeting

The President, Primary Teachers' Association, Bombay 4, writes:

To express their appreciation of, and suitably commemorate the numerous services to them of the late Dr. A. G. Viegas and Rao Bahadur D. G. Padhye, former Secretary, Bombay Schools Committee, the Primary Teachers' Association of Municipal Marathi Schools met on Sunday, the 4th December at the hall of the Schools Committee Office, Guilder Tank Road, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Jamnadas M. Mehta. After tributes to late Dr. Viegas and R. B. Padhye, the Chairman then unveiled the portraits of Rao B. Padhye and Dr. Viegas. It was also announced at the meeting that the Association had collected considerable funds out of the interest of which two prizes would be given after the two names, one to the candidate who passes his Matriculation with the highest marks in Marathi and the other to the student coming first from the highest form of the Pioneer Public School, Dadar, of which R. B. Padhye is the Principal.

Rao Bahadur Padhye gave cordial thanks to the Association and the assembly.

Andheri Councillors Entertained

'AT HOME' BY SARASWAT COLONY

(From A Correspondent)

The residents of Saraswat Baug, Jogeshwari, and the Chairman Mr. G. M. Gaitonde and his Managing Committee were 'At Home' on Sunday last to the Municipal Councillors elected from Andheri to the Vile Parle Municipality. The function was arranged at the Society's Hall and was attended by all councillors.

On behalf of the Colony, Mr. Warty welcomed the guests.

Most of the Councillors replied in suitable terms. Mr. Gomes Bar-at-Law, the ex-President of the Vile Parle Municipality, explained the present position in the Municipality, and discussed some of the needs pointed out.

Mr. Burfiwala in a suitable speech asked the public to keep the councillors alert by goading them from time to time. Mr. Salastekar the newly-elected Congress party's vice-chairman of the Managing Committee promised to give his best attention to the municipal problems of Jogeshwari and Mr. Pereira also promised to be useful and helpful to them.

After the guests were garlanded the function came to a close.

The late Nawab Shah Rookh Shah Yar Jung Bahadur (a cousin of H.H. the Aga Khan), who died last week at Poona.

AN UNUSUAL SUIT

Detective Obtains Decree

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Mr. Champaklal Mody, Small Causes Court Judge, during the last week, decreed the entire amount of the suit with addition of professional costs and other costs in favour of the plaintiff against a lady in a case unprecedented in its nature and the first of its kind hitherto decided in any law court in India.

The cause of action filed by a detective against the lady was in respect of the balance of his remuneration in accordance with a written agreement by which the former's services were employed to collect evidence regarding the alleged intimacy of her husband with another lady.

Mr. Joachim Alva with Mrs. Violet Alva, Advocates, appeared for the plaintiff, Mr. C. E. Ring of the International Investigation Bureau; and Mr. T. R. Kapadia, Advocate appeared for Mrs. Banu Mody.

Mr. Champaklal Mody in his judgment detailing the facts of the case stated that Mr. T. Mody, a motor salesman, had filed divorce proceedings against his wife, the defendant in the suit, citing one Jimmy shroff as a co-respondent.

Mrs. Mody wanted to file counter proceedings against her husband in the High Court. In order to facilitate her counter action in the High Court, Mr. Ring's services as a detective were employed by Mrs. Mody to collect evidence in regard to the alleged intimacy of her husband with a Parsee lady, so that she may be able to obtain divorce on the footing of the evidence obtaining by Mr. Ring.

The Plaintiff did collect materials and did all the spade work but Mrs. Mody got best of terms under the compromise, when her honour was at stake and on the top of it got maintenance for her children. Thus Mr. Ring was prevented from earning his full remuneration for no fault of his own. He was fully entitled to the balance of his fees and hence His Honour passed the full decree in his favour with costs.

TALK OF THE SUBURBS

(BY A SUBURBAN MAN.)

I have in my previous reports admitted that present health conditions in the suburbs are very much better than they used to be, but looking to the degree to which the population is yet being troubled by outbreak of grave diseases, I feel that the need for improvement is both urgent and pressing.

Diseases such as smallpox, cholera and typhoid and the widespread incidence of malaria and tuberculosis are at present making their appearance occasionally at various areas.

According to a doctor the agents that foster these diseases, are principally the stable flies. They swarm the whole surroundings where stables are situated. Stables full of cow dung and litter offer ideal breeding grounds for these flies which make for your dining table depositing disease producing germs on your food.

The only remedy, he states, that would check most of the above diseases would be to get rid of these flies which would only disappear if the stables were shifted out of residential areas.

A few months ago I wrote on the question of shifting these stables to the forest-lands of the suburbs which was then discussed at the Assembly meeting and which is now said to be under Government's consideration. Looking at the way these diseases are now inclined to grip the suburbs I suggest that Government settles the question of the shifting of these stables without further delay.

JEWISH GRAVEYARD.

The question of alloting lands for graveyards in the suburbs has on several occasions aroused protests as the public were of opiinon that the proposed lands were not really suitable.

At present over a hundred residents of Rajan, Sherly, Chuim and other surrounding villages of Danda Green, Bandra have sent a petition to the Collector, Bombay Suburban District, expressing protest at the proposed land to be given for burial purposes, at Danda Green, to the Jewish community.

In my opinion, Government might do well to allot land for this purpose on the west of Bandra Hill where a number of Catholic graveyards already exist.

Land along Carter Road leading to Danda Green is considered to be first class land sold at a very high rate and the addition of one more graveyard to the already existing ones would surely be an hindrance to the properties. Govment might therefore decide on the suggest land or some other land which will not arouse public protest.

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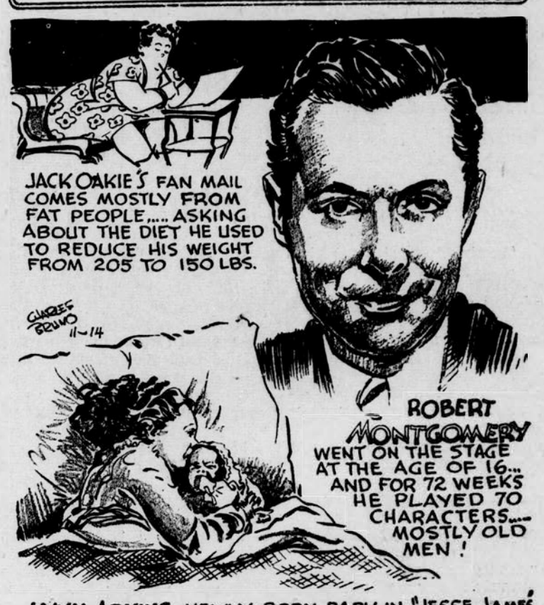
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Whist-drive At Bandra

(From A Correspondent)

A largely attended whist-drive was held on Sunday afternoon at the Mangalorean Recreation Club, Bandra. The gathering embraced members of all communities, the Jasmine Ladies Club having given a special support to make the occasion a splendid success. Miss Kapadia gave an exhibition of her prowess at Indian dancing, which was enthusiastically applauded by the gathering. Mr. Bocaro amused the audience with his ventriloquist show. Mrs. Cursetbai Sanjana gave away the prizes to the several winners among whom were Miss N. Pereira, Mrs. H. Mitchell, Mr. T. Noronha, Mr. K. C. Divan, Miss Curset Dharuvala and Mrs. Malegaonvalla.

Bombay Private Motor Drivers' Union

The General Secretary, B. P. M. D. U. writes:—

In the report of the proceedings of the recent Conference, a slight error has crept in due to a typist error. Resolution 1 which mentions the immediate needs of the drivers, reads at present:—

(a) "Minimum salary of Rs. 50 per month" ....., this should be amended and read as under:

"The private motor driver, in Bombay should be paid a minimum salary of Rs. 60 per month."

Alleged Breach Of Promise

Ganesh Moreshwar Deodhar, a teacher in the Robert Money School, has filed a suit in the Bombay High Court for damages against Miss Vimala Yadeshwar Bhandarkar for breach of promise to him.

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A CREDITABLE RECORD

The official review of the work of the Bombay Government during the half year ending July 19, 1938 is a record of which any provincial Government in India can be proud. That work is particularly creditable because it has been achieved in spite of many financial and other difficulties. Probably the public expected still more from a Congress Government. We ourselves did. But what has already been achieved and undertaken is most encouraging earnest of greater achievements in the near future. The mere enumeration of all the useful measures adopted by the Government will be a pretty long list and cannot be attempted here. But the more important of them may be briefly noted and commented upon.

Freedom Of Press

The greatest boon that can be expected from a Congress Government is the reign of civil liberty, and the Bombay Government can claim with pride that "never did the Press enjoy so much freedom as during the last 12 months." It, is, of course, regrettable that in one instance Government demanded security under the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act from a Bombay paper. But that was for what they felt to be dangerously scurrilous writings on communal affairs. Government repeat their warning that "insinuations and alarmist reports spread against any community will be promptly dealt with" and that "they will deal most severely with anyone whatever his status, whose activities by spoiling the good relations between the two communities do so much harm to the country." But the fact, admitted by Government, that "peaceful conditions between the two communities prevailed generally during the period throughout the province" encourages the hope that there will be no occasion for any drastic measures to ensure communal amity. In any case resort to the arbitrary powers of the Indian Press Act should be avoided by a Congress Government which must prosecute the offenders—if prosecution is necessary—in the Law Courts.

Relief To The Poor

As important as civil liberty are beneficent measures of rural relief. Notable among such measures already adopted are the Small Holders' Relief Act giving protection to poor ryots for a while against eviction and loss of property in execution of decrees of civil courts, more generous grants of tagavi loans at a lower rate of interest, substantial remission of land revenue in distressed areas, a fairly large scheme of village wells, more demonstration centres for teaching the cultivator improved methods of agriculture, grant of several concessions in forest areas, and, last not least, the restoration of lands forfeited during the C. D. Movement. A more comprehensive Bill to protect tenants against eviction is before the legislature and proposals for reforming the whole system of land revenue assessment are stated to be under examination and we trust this long-needed reform will not be further delayed. Nearly a crore of rupees has been added to the wages of workers in the textile industry as a result of the interim recommendations of the Textile Wages Enquiry Committee. No less beneficent than all these measures are the experiments in prohibition in rural areas. But we have to repeat with regret that these experiments are too cautious and restricted in their scope. Not a single district is yet under complete prohibition and in this respect Bombay is distinctly behind Madras, Bihar and U. P. We fervently hope that ample amends will be made as early as possible. A special word is necessary about reform in local self-government. Such reform enables the people to effect their own salvation, though in a limited sphere. The main reforms so far effected in all local bodies are the abolition of nominated seats, reservation of seats for backward communities on a population basis, and the adoption of adult franchise in Bombay City. And a Bill to reform the village panchayats radically is before the legislature. An important point about the working of local bodies is that, even if they are perfect constitutionally, they can achieve but little without adequate financial resources. Their powers of taxation being necessarily limited, they need generous grants from Government. That leads one to the biggest problem confronting every Provincial Government. The Bombay Government point out how very limited are the possibilities of retrenchment and on the other hand how vast are the financial needs for the various reforms undertaken or contemplated. It is necessary, therefore, that they should speedily devise fresh schemes of taxation without imposing heavy burdens on the poor and also exert pressure on the Government of India to grant generous subsidies to the provinces to enable them to carry out the many reforms so long neglected.

Medieval Brutality

An "inspired" statement has been issued from Berlin seeking to remove misconceptions as regards the position of Jews in Germany and their future. It does not explain so much as emphasize their horrible plight. The laws dealing with what they can and what they cannot do reduces them almost literally to the position in which, some centuries ago, they were forbidden every calling except peddling and dealing with second hand goods. They have been robbed of all trade and professional rights; but they have been allowed the privilege of spending their money in "Aryan" stores and restaurants. The suggestion regarding the creation of a ghetto has been energetically repudiated. The terrible fact is that with Herr Hitler's Brown Shirts running berserk—on the inspiration and with the approval of authorities—the Jews must for sheer self-preservation create ghettos of their own voluntarily.

Equally revolting is the cynicism with which the Nazis are holding the whole Jewish population literally to ransom. Having robbed the victims of a milliard marks they are after the rest of their wealth and in a particularly diabolical manner. Having made the position of Jews intolerable in prison as it were—they cannot legally leave Germany without forfeiting all their property—they are prepared to release them, "to facilitate the emigration" of Jews presumably by relaxing the rules to a slight extent. But they are prepared to do this provided "Jews abroad" pay the ransom in foreign currency which German economy needs more urgently than it does anything else! The calculated, cynical brutality and ruthlessness of the anti-Semitic campaign in Germany have no parallel in history—even in the history of Jewish persecution through the centuries. Normal imagination boggles at them. And yet they constitute the "sober" realities of the Nazi regime.

Italo-German Challenge

At the moment of writing, the stage is being set—by his "friends"—for Mr. Chamberlain's speech which the British Premier will have made by the time these lines appear in print. On the one hand, Italy has grown more vociferous and her "demands" more effective. Indeed, they have now advanced from Nice, Corsica and Tunis via, the Suez Canal to Dibouti now! Thanks to Mr. Chamberlain it is a mad world in which we live and it would not be surprising if Italy's rapidly extending claim were ultimately to embrace not only Nice but also the whole of France. On the other hand, Germany is both busy on her own front and proclaiming her solidarity with Italy. And Marshal Goering's paper has actually issued menacing instructions as to what Mr. Chamberlain should say and how. The Premier declared the other day that the British Government had represented to Italy that "anti-French demonstrations must have a detrimental effect." To that representation there is issued a reply in as it were a joint Italo-German challenge to him.

On Being Engaged

By D. F. Karaka

No sir, not me. I have still contrived to steer clear of matrimonial tangles, though I appear to be the last of the bachelors. All my friends are getting married or engaged and the stag fold is gradually diminishing in numbers. God disposes. Man still proposes.

We rolled up at "Gladhurst" to celebrate the engagement of a little boy to a little girl. I know young people on the verge of matrimony don't like being referred to as "little boys and little girls." But when I remember that Bhicky Billimoria was only just so high when I first met him on the playground of our school, I can hardly get accustomed to the idea that either he or I have grown up. Right now I know how much he would like to be called Mr. Billimoria, but I wont.

That was all many years ago. It recalls one's baby past. The silly games in the corridor—Hide and Seek, Hand Ball, and Last Touch. We used to treat each other with all the best 'bhel' that Vithal could provide. It wasn't the age of whiskies and sodas, but of pineapples and raspberries. Even now I can taste the sweet foam in my mouth.

Then came England and I saw more of him. There was the trip to Switzerland and the first embarrassment of coming up against the Colour Bar in England when a tourist agency declined to take us on their conducted tour, for no other reason but that we came from India. There was the great feeling of camaraderie—a sort of sticking together through thick and thin. One felt glad for a friend in this world.

There was the bob sleigh run and the painful realisation of being shattered, when we crashed. There was the last pound note on which we returned, eating bread and butter and baked beans to keep within our budget. There was the awful dilemma of choosing between two trains, not knowing which of them would take us to the right destination. There was the fog and the rain and the slush of London. There was the basement flat in Notting Hill Gate where the gas fire would never work. There were the days of gladness when at Cooks our remittances had arrived. There was that large [illegible]ch at Martinez's Spanish Re[illegible]ant to celebrate any event o[illegible]mportance and the taste of that dry sherry which came out of little barrels. There was the drive in an old hansom cab across the length of Piccadilly on Boat Race night. And all such crazy things one always wants to remember.

That is why when a friend of yours gets engaged, you begin to think it's an event in your own life. That was the predominant thought in my mind as I went to the engagement party of Bhicky to Silloo Dalal. I felt as if I too had something to celebrate. I think I can say that I don't remember having enjoyed myself so much for a long time. And this not merely to be polite. But when you are invited to a cocktail party and you stay on till one in the morning, the only possible inference that can be drawn is that you have enjoyed yourself. And there were many young people at that party who were of that opinion.

"Gladhurst" is a beautiful house, tucked away in some corner of Malabar Hill. You go down along a narrow road, appropriately named "Little Gibbs" and then you can go down no more. It's a dead end, but very alive. Its so far away from all unpleasant things. It's the sort of place you want to go to when you are tired. "Gladhurst!"

When I arrived, I could hear the soft music of my great man, Teddy. His full name is Weatherford. It sounds like the coming of the storm. A saxophone and a drummer boy. Soft, slow syncopation. Velvet time. A little left leg, a little right leg and you move along gently on velvet. Thats how I felt when I came in. There was the usual crowd of important people gracing the occasion with their presence. But in the nooks and corners were the young and that was where life was to be found. This world to-day belongs to us—young people. We don't worry any more of what the elder generation will say and our elders have got used to the idea of times changing and generations having different ideals from the ones with which they were obsessed.

It was not very long before the young brigade took charge. They stole the picture. Teddy, youngest of all, encouraged the idea. He played the kind of music which makes you want to burn holes in the carpet. He gave us as much "swing" as we could take and he could have dished out more. Here he was true to life, playing as he would like to—

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OUR EUROPEAN LETTER

France Faces Serious Issues

From Our Own Correspondent

PRAGUE: Dec. 1.

The unrest in France in the form of sharp reactions against the measures indicated to be introduced by the Finance Minister Reynaud has been much in the limelight in Europe this week. The development, quite significance in itself, has gained an increased interest in view of estimates of uncertain wider currents in France, and touching France closely. The reactions referred to above, related not only to the measures of the Finance Minister, but greatly to a trend in the French foreign policy. There has been a growing tendency in wide circles to look upon the policy which led to the Munich Agreement with concern, though the Munich Agreement was officially represented as not only something sensible, but also successful. This implies as well a more critical attitude towards England. Whatever arguments may be advanced for Munich, French alliances in the East have collapsed or further weakened, and with it, the task of France to meet direct pressure on herself has increased. And no guarantee of such pressure not being extended is present. Some sign of cordiality now visible in the German attitude, does not basically alter this. There are serious reflections of Italy putting up—and that very soon—hard terms to France. Indications of moves to strengthen the anti-Comintern pact, not absent, gain a significance in connection as well. Germany and Italy are seen as playing the game of putting up pressure at different fronts,—a circumstance that means the implications of pressure increasing on France, being suited to involve also England. Anyway there are some close reckonings of an Italian attitude to France leading up to some hard turns and difficult situations.

New Czech Regime

Czechoslovakia has just elected a new President—Dr. Emil Hacha. Dr. Hacha fills a vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. Benes. In many respects there stands a most marked contrast between the new President of Czechoslovakia and his widely known predecessor. A very distinguished and internationally famous jurist, politically Dr. Hacha has remained much in the background. He has not been connected actively with any political group. His name till the other day when his candidature was announced was probably not even known to the public at large in Czechoslovakia. In one respect, in the election of Dr. Hacha as President, the country maintains a continuity of policy. For the third time a Professor (one distinguished as scholar) is elected as the head of the State. Not very usual these days. As far as Czechoslovakia is concerned, possibly this has a wider significance. It may be considered as reflecting the tendency to retain certain traditions, also while moving in an altered circumstance to some new courses in regard to aspects relating to State policy.

The Cabinet presided over by the popular General Syrovy, has now sent in its resignation, as was expected. The Syrovy Cabinet from the beginning was looked upon only as stop-gap Cabinet. The new President has entrusted Antonin Beran, the head of the extended Agrarian or Amalgamated State Party, with the task of forming the Cabinet. Beran is known as having advocated even earlier a policy of understanding with Germany. This policy is now likely to gain a push. Foreign Ministership in the new Cabinet—not yet formed at the time of writing—in all probability will go to Dr. Chvalkovsky, formerly the Czechoslovak Minister in Rome where his personality was looked upon with favour. Czechoslovakia in the last two months has given an impressive proof of the capacity of sustaining stability in striking adjustments, with events of sweeping nature following in quick succession. A sound wheel and a good economic basis, greatly contributed to this.

Poland And Russia

The declaration released a few days back, confirming the Polish-Russian Non-Aggression Pact, recording care for intensification of economic contacts between the two countries, and stating attention to the line of differences between the two States being settled by negotiations, has attracted considerable attention in the European press. Though the declaration does not say anything very unusual of startling and is in the nature of those often issued between States, yet the new Polish-Russian step carries a more than ordinary interest on account of the time of its registration and as revealing a departure in her attitude on the part of Poland. There is no gainsaying the fact that the tendency in Warsaw for some time past has been to attach not much weight to the agreement with Moscow. When the Russian Commissar for Foreign Affairs Litvinov, a little while back, on the eve of the German-Czechoslovak crisis, reminded Poland of the danger of a set-back to the line of Polish-Russian Non-Aggression Pact. Colonel Beck the Polish Foreign Secretary, showed a marked unconcern. The changed attitude is viewed as having followed from Munich.

Though Poland's policy has considerably contributed to the fulfilment of the Munich Agreement, it would appear, the implications of that Agreement are not considered with undivided satisfaction in Warsaw. Indeed, as reports indicate, about certain issues there is a strong concern. This concern has been intensified due to the check administered to the Polish aim of establishing common frontier with Hungary—an aim thought to be realised by a division of Ruthenia, tearing it away from Czechoslovakia. Poland, following the Munich Ag-

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

SUNDAR KABADI'S CASE

In reply to a question in the Commons by Mr. Sorenson, Mr. R A. Butler has declared that "Instructions have been sent to the British Ambassador in Paris to request the French Government to inform him of the facts of the case" relating to the recent expulsion from France of Mr. Sundar Kabadi, our London correspondent and Mr. Feroze Gandhi. We are glad that the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs has shown some interest in the matter. But we hope that these instructions do not imply in advance that the Ambassador should necessarily be satisfied with whatever information is supplied to him and that it should be kept to himself and the British Foreign Office. In justice to these journalists, if for no other reason, "the facts of the case" should be made fully public even though they may confirm the fascist character of the French Government's conduct.

UNITED AMERICAN FRONT

We welcome the "United American Front" which is being sought to be achieved by the Pan-American Conference. It is eminently desirable that the American States must declare in favour of "immediate co-operation in common action in the event of any of them being subjected to attack from Europe or Asia." Both for the purpose of internal peace and for checking threatened Fascist aggression a closer understanding and unity of action is necessary among the American countries. But such a coalition will be only useful as a part of the general world-wide democratic front and even defeat its own purpose if it means well the revival of American isolationism. The continent would not be safe from growing ambitions of totalitarian States unless it co-operated with other progressive and democratic forces. The smaller American States have also to be careful against the "United Front" being used for their economic domination by the U.S.A. The tentacles of Wall Street are already spreading over the Continent and should not be allowed to strengthen their grip.

LAME DEFENCE

Attempting to defend their ban on the singing of the "Vande Mataram" song in the Osmania University, the Nizam's Government contend that the song is not really a religious one and, therefore, cannot be allowed as part of religious worship. The Hindu students were certainly wrong in representing the song as a religous one. But the crucial question is not whether it is a religious song. It certainly has no religious significance whatsoever but the ban on it is still unjustifiable because the song is in no way objectionable. The Government argue that "there may not be any objection to the actual words of the song" but objection is still taken to it by some Muslims. Objection has been taken by some Muslims only to the song being made compulsory in mixed public bodies of Hindus and Muslims. In the present case only Hindu students claim the right to sing it in their own hostels attached to the University.

DISAPPOINTING VAGUENESS

Presiding over the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the Ahmedabad Total Abstinence Association, Dr. Gilder, Excise Minister, said: "Total prohibition will be enforced in the whole Presidency before the Congress Government lays down the reins of office." The assurance loses half its force on account of the vagueness of the period during which the programme of prohibition will be completed. The Minister does not seem to mean that he will complete the programme before the next general election. In any case it would have been fairer to the cause of prohibition and to the thousands of anxious workers for it to say in how many years—at least approximately—the programme was to be completed. Prohibition is no longer an experiment. Wherever it has been tried it has been a success. It can most certainly be enforced fully in three years as Gandhiji has suggested. To ask for more time is only to crave the liquor revenue. Dr. Gilder should at least tell us what are his plans for the next official year which is only a few months ahead.

"NATIONAL EDUCATION"

The varied ideas of educational reform, now prevalent in the country, are strikingly reflected in "National Education", the "extra-special" number of "Education", just published by the Education Office of Lucknow and edited by a Board of Editors including Acharya Narendra Deva, Mrs. Uma Nehru, and Mr. K. G. Saiyidain. In its 220 pages "National Education" contains about sixty articles classified under the heads: (1) Historical; (2) Types of National Institutions; (3) Reorganisation of Education; (4) Cultural Movements; (5) Women's Education; (6) Physical Education; and (7) Teachers' Movement. The contributors include recognised educationists and publicists like Pandit Amarnath Jha, Prof. P. Sheshadri, Mr. C. F. Andrews, Mr. M. R. Paranjpe, Mrs. Margaret E. Cousins, Mr. K. G. Saiyidin, Mr. E. W. Aryanayakam, Secretary, Hindustani Talimi Sangh, Wardha, and Mr. F. L. Brayne, Articles from such persons cannot fail to be instructive and stimulating. Considering the quality and quantity of the reading matter in the number, its price of one rupee is modest indeed. Serious students of national education cannot afford to miss this notable contribution to the subject by so many well-known educationists of India.

THE "DUFFERIN"

In view of the various criticisms made and the occasional doubts expressed during the last year regarding the Indian Mercantile Marine Training Scheme, the latest annual report of the "Dufferin" will be of particular interest. A perusal of the report shows that the state of affairs is not so discouraging as certain public pronouncements led one to think. The fact that nearly eighty per cent of those who have passed out are at sea or in the ancillary services will allay the fears entertained in this connection, though the wastage is certainly high enough to need the close attention of the authorities, involving as it does so much loss of public money. The *per capita* cost of each cadet is expected to be Rs. 1,555 during the current financial year. But perhaps the most welcome news in the report is that there has been a hundred per cent. increase over last year in the number of applications for the qualifying examination. It proves that our young men are yet sufficiently attracted towards a sea career in spite of the paucity of prospects in this line.

WITHOUT COMMENT

(But with apologies for the inordinate length of the story of the shirt).

Mrs. Neville Chamberlain stated in mail week, that one of her husband's old shirts has been asked for, and is going to America.

Mrs. Chamberlain was told that the members of the Burrington (Somerset) Women's Institute were anxious to make a patchwork quilt from shirts belonging to Cabinet Ministers.

Asked if there was any hope of an old shirt from the Prime Minister, Mrs. Chamberlain laughed and replied:

"I do not know about that. You see, he has already received a request from America for one of his shirts

"If it gets about that I am giving away his clothes there would be no end to it. Why, he would very soon have no clothes left."

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The Nawab of Junagadh has superseded the ban order of his Dewan Mr. Monteith, on a Prajamandal Conference.

This revolution political and racial. What is the Paramount Power doing?

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Under instructions from the Foreign Office the British Ambassador is to ask the French Government for facts re: the case of our correspondent Sundar Kabadi.

In spite of *Alter Ego* we predict that Mr. R. A. Butler will be completely satisfied with the "facts."

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Maulana Zafar Ali of the Muslim League Party demands that Government should provide Muslims "with double income-tax relief in virtue of the 2½ per cent. of their earnings demanded of them by Islam."

He did not unfortunately proceed to detail how the League Party—for of course, it is the Muslim League which will collect and keep the money on behalf of Islam—will administer the fund.

By the way, it would be interesting to inquire how many of the Leaguers do pay the 2½ p.c. demanded of them by Islam.

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AEROPLANE OUTPUT IN BRITAIN

"Like Sausages Out Of A Machine"

—Headlines.

We don't like the simile. We emphatically don't like it.

As the Junior Colleague reminds us, the Germans are very fond of consuming sausages in huge quantities.

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The Paris Press indulges in "strong warnings" to Italy with regard to the inviolability of Tunis.

Good. But couldn't these warnings be more usefully addressed to MM. Daladier and Bonnet?

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A La Czecho-Slovakia

"Britain And France Have Obligations To Lithuania," says a headline.

Then Lithuania must organise sustained and fervent National prayers for her existence.

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A Teatime Thought

(*Strictly Domestic Variety*).

"I believe in the profession of Journalism."

—Welter Williams.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

The smaller the man the greater his vanity.

Consideration of others is a good brand of charity.

Marriage is a lottery. That's why the law interferes in so many cases.

A successful man sees things as they are, not as others tell him they are.

No woman should think of marrying until she has acquired a forgiving disposition.

When a woman neglects her husband's shirt she is no longer the wife of his bosom.

Fanning 'Anti-French Flame'

Paris Press Attack On Chamberlain's "Careless Remarks" In Commons

PARIS, December 12.

Mr. Chamberlain is accused of rashness and carelessness for his "no pledge to France" statement in the House of Commons by "Pertinax" writing in "L'Ordre" who states that Britain will not be able to choose her attitude in the event of a Franco-Italian conflict, as Italy would never dare to attack France if she were not certain of German support "but the Government of Rome are capable of interpreting Mr. Chamberlain's rash words in order to make people believe that two democracies will not stand together in all African and Mediterranean enterprises.

"Fascist newspapers will take advantage of these careless remarks made in the House of Commons to fan the anti-French flame."

Referring to Italian claims in Tunis "Le Jour" points out three things: "Firstly, the Italian press declares that blood has flown in Tunisia but for a fortnight there has been no report of a single man being wounded; secondly, in five years the Tunisian population has been doubled, while that of Libya has decreased by two-thirds; thirdly, if Italy is considering the agreement of 1935, we can regulate it unilaterally and as we understand, the status of Italians in Tunisia. In any case, we can fall back on the terms of former conventions according to which the status of Italians can be reconsidered every three months."

"Le Jour" states that whereas the Italians in Tunisia are exploiting 77,000 hectares of land, the French are exploiting 630,000. Italy has invested 400 million francs capital and France has invested 3,000 million.

"Le Republique" writes that Italian threats are only hot air.—Reuter.

BRITAIN WON'T STAND ASIDE

PARIS, Dec. 13.

Well informed circles welcome the clarity of Mr. Chamberlain's statement in the Commons.

Mr. Chamberlain stated in the House of Commons to-day that no specific pact existed at the present time, under which, in the event of Italy starting warlike operations against France or her possessions, Great Britain would be required to render military aid to France.

It is thought that the British demarche to Italy regarding anti-French Demonstrations will have a statutory effect while the definite reminder that the Anglo-Italian Treaty was linked with the maintenance of the 'status quo' is especially appreciated.

Authorised circles agree that there is no binding agreement requiring Britain's aid to France against Italian attack, but in view of Britain's interest in the maintenance of French territorial integrity during the September crisis it is considered extremely unlikely that such eventually could leave Britain indifferent.—Reuter.

CHAMBERLAIN'S SPEECH IS TACTLESS

London Journal's Criticism

LONDON: Dec. 13.

"Tactless" is the "News Chronicle's" description of the Prime Minister's statement in the House of Commons that Britain is not required by any treaty or pact to give France military aid in the event of Italy making war against France or French possessions.

The Prime Minister, adds the paper, should have added that, apart from any treaty obligation, the integrity of France is a vital interest to his country.—Reuter.

GOERING SUPPORTS ITALY'S CLAIMS

BERLIN, Dec. 13.

Italy's claims with regard to Corsica, Djibouti and Suez Canal are supported by a leading article in the "National Zeitung" which sometimes reflects the opinion of Field Marshal Goering.

Meanwhile, the "Berliner Zeitung Am Mittag" states that since Abyssinia belongs to Italy, Djibouti, which is under foreign control, has become a way in and a way out for the Italian Empire and this cannot remain so. Djibouti is a port in which at this hour, European interests centre.—Reuter.

CHAMBERLAIN IN ITALIAN PRESS

ROME, Dec. 13.

Mr. Chamberlain's statement is prominently featured in all morning newspapers.

The London Correspondent of "Messagero" writes, "We may hope that this timely definition will slow down the warlike ardour of some French scribblers."

The newspapers make no attempt as in the past few days, however, to make out that Britain is willing to put pressure on France to accept Italy's demands, although hopes are still expressed about Mr. Chamberlain's powers of mediation when he visits Rome.—Reuter.

TENSION IN TUNIS DEEPENS

"Italians Prepared For Counter-offensive Against French Measures"

ROME, Dec. 13.

While all newspapers feature articles seeking to justify Italian claims against France the "Tribuna" publishes a Tunis report to the effect that the Italian residents there have "seen to putting themselves in a state of legitimate defence".

The newspaper adds no details beyond stating that steps taken have been "in accordance with Fascist conception, that is to say that Italians are perfectly prepared for a counter-offensive."

ITALY'S DETERMINATION

A warning that Italy is determined to press her claims for Tunis is also contained in an editorial in the "Tribuna."

It says that Italy will not resign herself to considering the question as closed until it is resolved in conformity with justice and perfect harmony with the requirements of a new European solidarity.

Meanwhile, Sgr. Gayda sets out in the "Giornale d'Italia" arguments for a free zone in Port Djibouti and the cession of shares formerly belonging to Abyssinia in the Djibouti Railway. He speaks of Djibouti as having always been "the living centre of the war waged continually, though in silence, against Italian interests."

Sgr. Gayda concludes that with the conquest of Abyssinia Franco-Italian interests like Anglo-Italian interests "extend beyond the frame of the Mediterranean." The interests of Italy reach as far as the Red Sea and further.

ITALIANS ABROAD

A decree allots ten milion lire to the Ministry of Foreign Affair towards the expenses for repatriation of the Italians abroad.—Reuter.

Dr. Schacht For England

THE HAGUE, Dec. 13.

Dr. Schacht arrived here to-day incognito "en route" to London.

It is learned he had a private conference with unknown persons, about Jewish financial questions. He is leaving to-night by steamer for England.—Reuter.

LONDON—Major-General James Murray Robert Harrison has been appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey with effect from May 29, 1939 when the term of Major-General Sir H. Decourcy Martelli expires.

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Memel's Adherence To German Hegemony

Nazi Press On Significance Of Recent Elections: Jews Must Pay First Instalment Of Milliard Mark Levy On Dec.15

BERLIN: DEC. 13.

Newspapers assert that the result of the Memel elections is "UNANIMOUS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE ADHERENCE OF THE MEMEL POPULATION TO THE GERMAN NATION."

The "Diplomatische Correspondenz" writes "the result of the elections can surprise only those who have often been proved portentously wrong psychologists. The attitude of the Lithuanian Government towards the new expression of the will of Memel Land is decisive for future development".

The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" says that the Memel question can only be solved in a spirit of self-determination which is a matter for man to man talks between those directly concerned. An inspired statement issued by German quarters to the foreign press describes the visits of the British Charge d'Affaires and the French Ambassador to the Foreign Office as "routine visits."—Reuter.

Nazi Journal's Attitude Towards Memel

BERLIN, Dec. 13.

The Italian demand for a reduction in the Suez Canal dues is supported by the "Boersen Zeitung" which says, "it will be senseless if the clearing up of important questions involving nations were endangered by a few legal clauses drafted almost a century ago by some juridical experts.

"The interests of nations as dictated by compelling forces of life have already overthrown more important and more solemn legal agreements. One should not hide behind a network of clauses whose preservation scarcely benefits anyone in the world but whose obliteration is likely to contribute to the removal of the tension."

While criticising the Memel statute, the "Frankfurter Zeitung" adopts a conciliatory attitude towards Lithuania and says that it is necessary to find a reasonable and just solution. There is no hatred against the Lithuanians.

The paper admits Lithuania's need for commercial access to the sea but says that to try to grab Memel under this pretext is to abuse natural facts in order to satisfy political aspirations. It remains to be seen what the Lithuanian Government will do now.—Reuter.

GERMANS MAY GET 26 SEATS

Lithuanian Forecast Of Memel Elections

KAUNAS, Dec. 13.

A Lithuanian forecast of the result of the Memel elections, based on the counting yesterday in various districts, gives the Germans 26 seats and Lithuanians three.—Reuter.

IL DUCE TO VISIT SARDINIA

ROME, Dec. 12.

Sigr. Mussolini is visiting Sardinia at the weekend and will probably make a speech on Sunday.

During his visit the Duce will preside over an extraordinary meeting of the Supreme Autarchical Commission.—Reuter.

BRITISH QUOTA IN EGYPT

Lancashire Textile Mission's Success

LONDON, Dec. 13.

The detailed report of work of the Lancashire Textile mission to Egypt has been received by the Directors of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce. The Directors warmly thanked the members of the Mission for the valuable services to Lancashire industry, and regarded the outcome of negotiations as affording prospects for increased trade with Egypt in the coming year.

TERMS OF AGREEMENT.

Official details of the precise working of the Agreement have not yet reached England, but unofficial accounts have quoted figures, which closely follow those discussed by the mission in Cairo and Alexandria. So far as the United Kingdom trade is concerned, the initial share to be allotted under the quota arrangement will be 32.8 per cent, which represents the United Kingdom's takings of Egypt's raw cotton exports on the percentage basis during the past three years. In addition, the United Kingdom will also receive a share in any quota, not used or not allocated to any countries, taking Egyptian cotton, but which ship only small quantities of piece goods to the Egyptian market.—Reuter.

TWO ARABS TO HANG

Mufti's Relative Arrested Under Emergency Regulations

JERUSALEM, Dec. 13.

Mayor of Gaza, a relative of the Mufti has been arrested under the Emergency Regulations.

Two Arabs—one an Egyptian and the other from Hedjaz—have been sentenced to death by the Military Court on a charge of shooting with intent to murder Lieutenant Samuelson of the First Battalion Fuffs near Lydda on December 7. A third Arab, aged 17 was sentenced to life imprisonment.—Reuter.

EDEN TO VISIT WHITE-HOUSE

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.

Mr. Eden leaves for Washington to-night.

Mr. Summer Wells, acting Secretary of State, will accompany Mr. Eden to the White House to-morrow but it is understood that the visit is entirely unofficial. The National Press Club entertains Mr. Eden at lunch to-morrow.—Reuter.

EDEN SEES ROOSEVELT

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.

Mr. Eden arrived from New York and later in the morning accompanied by Mr. Sumnewelles is seeing President Roosevelt at the Whitehouse.

Mr. Eden stated "Although I expect to see numerous officials informally, I have no official business to discuss."—Reuter.

World Achievement

The Iron Lung

Who is not familiar with the new medical gadget, the Iron Lung? We have heard much about it in recent months. To-day the Iron Lung, as now supplied to hospitals, is an elaborate affair, and certainly one of the most powerful and vital of all inventions, giving doctors a new means of prolonging life, especially in cases of infantile paralysis.

But the beginning of this invention goes back to a very simple affair. Sir William Bragg is behind the beginning of the beginning.

A friend of Sir William, the famous scientist, was attacked with paralysis a few years ago, and bit by bit the terrible disease attacked the muscles which control breathing. It became necessary, if life were to be sustained, to resort to artificial respiration, and relays of nurses and relatives took their turn in rhythmically pressing the front of the chest. In this way a year went by—and everyone was just about worn out.

Then, in September 1933, Sir William Bragg had an idea. It seemed to him that some of the strain ought to be eliminated, so he strapped a football bladder tightly round the patient's chest, linked it with a piece of tubing to another bladder between two boards on the floor, and so contrived an arrangement by which a nurse could apply artificial respiration by simply moving her foot up and down. As soon as it was found that this worked satisfactorily Sir William managed to link it all with the water supply, so that it was driven automatically, and later the whole arrangement was driven by electric power.

This, then, was the beginning of the Iron Lung—a simple thing, really.

Movement For 'United American Front'

American States Alive To Common Danger

Plans For Common Action Against European Or Asiatic Aggression

LIMA: DEC. 13.

A PROPOSAL FOR A DECLARATION IN FAVOUR OF IMMEDIATE CO-OPERATION IN COMMON ACTION BY ALL AMERICAN STATES IN THE EVENT OF ANY ONE OF THEM BEING SUBJECTED TO ATTACK FROM EUROPE OR ASIA IS BEING CONSIDERED BY THE PEACE COMMITTEE OF THE PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE.

The proposal is sponsored by Venezuela and forms part of the movement for "a United American Front," which is the outstanding feature of the Conference.

Several delegations, including United States, favour extending the declaration to include possible internal action by groups supported from countries outside the American Cabinet.

Observers believe that the Conference will pass a resolution reaffirming the will of the American nations to maintain democratic principles. They do not expect that the Conference will sign any formal document either on this or on other subject.

The Argentine and Mexican delegations are drafting a resolution offering pan-American mediation in the Spanish war.—Reuter.

COMMISSION FOR ORGANISING PEACE

LIMA: Dec. 13.

The outstanding fact at yesterday's deliberations of the Pan-American Conference was the election of a "Commission for organisation of Peace," whose duty will be to examine plans submitted by different delegations with a view to uniting in a single diplomatic instrument, agreements reached in previous pacts and treaties.

The Commission will also study the possibility of establishing an organisation for the execution of this new instrument.

According to some delegations, such organisation should be permanent, while others advocate a temporary body to sit only when a dispute arises.

The idea of seeing peace in Latin America, linked with a purely American system, appears not to have met too warm support from certain delegations.—Reuter.

U. S. Plan To Increase Exports To Latin America

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.

A plan to expand the Government-owned export and import bank with the object of assisting manufacturers to increase their exports to Latin America is under consideration by Govts. experts.

Mr Morgenthau, Secretary to the Treasury, said that the plan had the full knowledge and approval of the State Department, the chief problem being how to make the dollar exchange available to those countries to enable them to pay for imports from the United States.—Reuter

"Object Of Her Dollar Diplomacy

TOKYO, Dec 13.

Caustic comment is made by the press on the speech of Mr. Cordell Hull at the opening of the Pan-American Conference.

The "Nichinichi Shimbun" writes "It is not too much to say that the United States is planning to obtain hegemony over the American countries and to develop them into a military alliance.

"Under the pretext of the menace of fascism the United States is planning to make its own economic invasion which is the main object of her dollar diplomacy hitherto attempted in the cloak of the Monroe Doctrine."—Reuter

FEAR OF NAZI REPRISALS

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.

Fear of German Economic reprisals is playing an important part in the Pan-American Conference at Lima, according to the "New York Times", the correspondent of which states that this fear is indicated in informal discussions of delegates as a leading factor in South American opposition to all proposals which could be interpreted as anti-European.

The "big three" countries in South America, Brazil, Chile and Argentine are said to have definitely aligned themselves against most of the United American Front proposals. Brazil and Chile have specially extensive trade with Germany.—Reuter.

ARYANISATION GOES ON MERRILY

BERLIN, Dec. 13.

The first instalment of the milliard and mark levy imposed on Jews must be paid on December 15. Jews must deposit by then all their shares and securities with German banks entitled to deal with foreign currencies.

Jewish owners are not allowed to withdraw from safe deposits or dispose of any of their belongings without a permit. A new decree stipulates that the instalment must be paid in cash but where it is impossible the bank must hand to the authorities shares sufficient to meet litigations. Such shares will be held by the Prussian State Bank as trustee of the Ministry of Finance.

The Aryanisation of Jewish industrial enterprises in Berlin is making headway according to the Berlin Chamber of Commerce and Industry which to the end of October has dealt with a thousand cases, while 279 petitions for transfer to Aryan ownership have been rejected.—Reuter.

FOR INTEGRITY OF Br. EMPIRE

LONDON, Dec. 13.

"The unity and integrity of the British Empire depend upon the maintenance of sea power. The Navy including the Mercantile Marine is the ultimate sanction of British unity" declares Sir Thomas Inskip to-day.

Referring to the Singapore Defences Sir Thomas said, "they had a profound effect, both on the safety and unity of the Empire Defences and represent an achievement of the very first magnitude. It means, we have a world wide system of formidable defences. We are completing our defences both at home and other parts of the Empire, so that no longer it may be necessary for us to refrain from appropriate action, so that no longer may our Foreign Secretary or our Prime Minister in this or any other country be hampered by considerations of weakness or default on our part.—Reuter.

'United TANGANYIKA'S FUTURE

Question Of Jewish Settlement To Be Tackled

DARESSALAM, Dec. 13.

It is announced that a Select Committee has been appointed to investigate the question of Jewish settlement in Tanganyika. The Governor Sir Mark Young announced that the Government had decided to implement the Commons' statement of Mr. Malcolm MacDonald in regard to mandates. The Government will proceed with measures for the large scale development of Tanganyika, both by natives and increased settlements. The Committee is being appointed for this purpose.

The announcement is expected greatly to restore confidence that Tanganyika will remain British, as the Government, once it is committed to a policy of increased development and has invested a large capital on this, would not willingly consider handing over the country to Germany.—Reuter.

ELECTIONS IN JUGOSLAVIA

BELGRADE, Dec.13.

Semi-official provisional figures for polling in the General election show that the Government list of candidates have obtained 57 per cent. of the total votes. The chief opposition group led by Dr. Matohek, the Croat Leader, has obtained 42 per cent. The Government are expected to have 390 seats in the new Parliament and the Opposition parties will probably be allocated the remaining 71 seats.—Reuter.

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A SHORT STORY

A Poor Alibi

By JAMES FREEMAN

"There are only three people," said Detective Lem Tucker, "who could have murdered Karl Willson."

"Who are they?" I asked.

"There's Jerry Walker. He was Willson's business partner. That gives him a motive, see? Then there's Maise Libby. Maise was his sweetheart before he married his present wife. He's been seeing a good deal of her lately. Then there's Mrs. Willson, his wife. She might have found out about Maise."

"You'll probably find out in the end that it wasn't any of those three."

"No I won't," said Tucker. "The 'dark horse' murderer only appears in story books. Want to come with me?"

"Sure", I said. "Whom do we see first?"

Mrs. Willson will be the easiest to get at."

News of the killing wasn't public property as yet. It would be soon though, and I knew Tucker wanted to work fast. We drove out to the Willson estate in Westside. There was a doctor's car in front. A maid answered the door. She wasn't going to let us in until Tucker showed his badge. The doctor was coming down the stairs as we entered the front hall.

"How is she, Doc?" Lem asked. "O. K., if we ask her a few questions?"

"The shock has upset her," the M. D., explained. "Make your visit as brief as possible."

Mrs. Willson was propped up in bed. She smiled at us weakily. Lem got down to cases at once. "Don't want to make it hard for you, Mrs. Willson. I'll be as brief as I can. Where were you when it happened?"

"At my bridge club. We met at Mrs. Wheeler's. I—I—you'll think me silly—I had a premonition that something was happening to Karl. I was drinking tea and suddenly the most awful feeling came over me—" She kept on talking. She was that type. Lem made a few notes and then watched for his opening and left hastily.

"Well", I chuckled, "what did that get you?"

"Come on," said Lem, "we'll go call on Maise Libby."

Maise Libby lived in an apartment at the other side of town. We were lucky to find her in.

"Your boy friend's been knocked off," Lem said.

She caught at her throat. "Wnat boy friend?"

"Ha" said Lem, and grinned. "Couldn't catch you with that one, eh? Karl Willson. Where were you at 2-45 p. m. yesterday afternoon?"

"I haven't the faintest idea. I mean—why, I guess I was here. Yes, I'm sure I was."

"Alone?"

Her eyes flashed. "Of course I was alone."

Lem made a notation. We left Miss Libby's apartment and called a taxi. "Jerry Walker will probably be in his office," Lem said. "He's been told about the murder. Can't use any tricks with him."

Walker saw us at once. Yes, yes," he agreed soberly, "I've been advised what happened. Dreadful! Dreadful! Who do you suppose could have done such a dastardly thing?"

"That's what we're aiming to find out, Mr. Walker. Where were you around 3 o'clock yesterday? Two forty-five to be exact."

Walker darted a quick, appraising look at Lem. "Where was I? Do you mean you suspect me?—Ah,—well, let me see. Humm. Hang it, where was I? Detective, you'll have to give me a few minutes to think."

"One place is as good as another," Lem grinned," "in your case."

Ten minutes later we were back on the street. "So you figure Walker is the man, Eh? I said.

Lem shook his head. "Get out your pencil," he said. "I'll have a story for you in twenty minutes."

A quarter of an hour later we again drove up to the Willson home. The maid told us Mrs. Willson was sleeping.

"Wake her up," Lem said. We followed the maid upstairs. Mrs. Willson looked at us with annoyance.

"Haven't you already disturbed me enough?" she began, but Lem cut in.

"Not quite, Mrs. Willson. This time we're arresting you for murdering your husband. Oh, don't look shocked. We know all about it. In fact, we have an eye witness to your deed."

"An eye witness? But that's impossible! No one was—that is, I mean—" She broke off, staring at us wildly.

"Ha" said Lem, "So it was you? Thought so? Sorry, Mrs. Willson, but that's the way things go."

It wasn't until the next day that I had a chance to see Lem alone.

"How did you figure it?" I asked. "It looked to me as though Walker was the man."

Lem grinned. "Walker couldn't think where he was at the time of the murder. If he had been guilty he'd have had an ironclad alibi. In fact, Mrs. Willson was the only one who had an alibi. She said she was drinking tea and had a premonition. Ha! I called Mrs. Wheeler's. Tea was served at 3-45. Not 2-45. Besides, how did she know when the murder was committed? I didn't mention any time when I questioned her"

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WORKING COMMITTEE & INDIAN STATES

(Continued from Page 1)

Shegaon at 5 p.m. Sjt. Jairamdas Daulatram left for Bombay by the Calcutta Mail. This indicates that the Working Committee has settled the important issues regarding the States and the Muslim League.

Sjt. Jairamdas is not feeling well, and he did not attend the afternoon session.

The question of the Sind Ministry and the attitude of the Congress Party in Sind to the Ministry is not on the agenda of the Working Committee though informal discussions took place about Sind.—United Press.

(Earlier report of the Working Committee discussions appears in last page).

READJUSTMENT WITH GERMANY

Czech Premier Opens Parliament

PRAGUE, Dec. 13.

"Above all, we shall have to readjust our relations toward Germany" declared M. Beran, the Czech Premier, opening the sitting of Parliament.

M. Beran added, "We believe that direct contact will make this easier and expeditious. We shall enter into friendly relations with all other nations but our Foreign policy will be based on economic and social necessity."—Reuter.

WORLD MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

MADRAS, Dec. 13.

The World Missionary Conference, which commenced its session last night in the Madras Christian College Tambaram, 18 had nearly two hours, sitting on the opening day. The proceedings commenced with the reading of a psalm by pasteur H. Anet followed by prayer by Dr. Martin Schlunk (Germany) and Dr. Azariah, Bishop of Dornakal.

Dr. Mott's Presidential Address was listened to in deep silence.

To-day is a day of prayer. Group discussions on several topics will commence to-morrow.

A series of meetings have been arranged in different churches in Madras, which will be addressed by the delegates to the Conference during the next few days.—A. P.

No Compromise On Issue Of Vande Mataram

Hyderabad Student Strikers To Fight For 'Religious Freedom'

(From Our Correspondent).

HYDERABAD (Dn.) Dec. 13.

Grave situation has arisen over the action of the Government and the Osmania University authorities in banning "Bandemataram" song and scratching the names of more than a thousand Hindu students' names from the rolls of educational institutions. In the Osmania University College, there remain only Muslim students and about 30 Hindu students for whom Government will have to spend thousands of rupees and maintain a huge staff. At a meeting of the Hindu students of the Osmania University held immediately after the announcement by the University authorities 350 students have been removed from rolls a resolution was adopted strongly condemning the drastic step taken by the University authorities in removing from the registers names of 350 Hindu students who had gone on strike as a protest against the ban imposed on singing "Bandemataram" and resolving not to yield to any compromise which does not give them freedom to sing the above religious freedom by an establishment of national college where they can prosecute studies. They also extend their heartfelt sympathy to 500 students of colleges in the mofussil whose names have also been struck off.

The local leaders and members of the Council of Action of the Strikers' Union, it is understood, had met Mrs. Sarojini Naidu in this connection and apprised her of the situation prior to her leaving for Wardha.

At the same time, it is rumoured that the Nizam's Executive Council met on a short notice and discussed the "Bandemataram" affair.

Patna Volunteers For Hyderabad

PATNA, Dec. 13.

Pt. Rajguru Dhurendra Shastri of the Arya Sabha, has come to Patna, it is understood, in order to organise a batch of Hindu young men, who, it is learnt, will leave for Hyderabad if the Sholapur Arya Congress decides to launch a mass Satyagraha with a view to getting better treatment of Hindu subjects by the Hyderabad State.—A.P.

Congress Nagar Will Be Ready By End Of January

JUEBULPORE, Dec. 13.

The construction works in the Tripuri Congress Nagar, it is reported, will be completed by the end of January.

A sum of about 50,000 rupees has been collected, and a further sum of one lakh of rupees is expected shortly. Rai Bahadur Goverdhindas Tumsar has donated two-thousand rupees and the grain merchants' Association of Bombay Rs. 1.500 to the Tripuri Congress fund.

Mr. Thakur Chedilal, the president of the Mahakoshal Provincial Congress Committee left yesterday for Bombay.—A. P.

EX-MINISTER JOINS CONGRESS

More Strength To Bardoloi Ministry

SHILLONG, Dec. 13

Reverend J. J. M. Nicholsroy, ex-Minister and a prominent member of the Saaduila-Hockenhull group, has joined the Congress Coalition Party by signing the Congress pledge today.

Since the defeat of the no-confidence motion against the Bardoloi Ministry on December 8 last altogether four members of the Opposition have so far joined the Ministerial Party including Dewan Ali Reza, Mr. Mahendranath Saikia, Mr. Naba Kumar Dutt and Rev. Nicholsroy, thereby bringing the total strength of the Congress Coalition Party to 59 in a House of 108 including the Speaker.—United Press.

REFORMS FOR SITAMAU STATE

Popular Assembly With Non-official Majority

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13.

Important constitutional reforms for the State of Sitamau were announced by H. E. Raja Sir Ramsinghji Saheb Bahadur on the occasion of his birthday, says a message received from the Dewan.

The chief feature of the new constitution, is the establishment of a popular assembly known as Rajya Parishad. The heir-apparent will be its president, and in addition to him, there will be 21 members, only six of whom will be the State officials nominated by the Darbar. Thirteen members will be non-officials elected and chosen by the public, while the remaining two will be non-official members nominated by the Darbar. Thus in the Parishad, there will be a clear majority of non-official members. The Parishad has been given every wide legislative powers, and all the laws of the State to be promulgated in future will be submitted for the consideration of the Parishad.

FINANCIAL POWERS.

On the financial side the Parishad is given full control of the departments of education, public health, municipality and panchayat courts and is given the right to submit suggestions on all the heads of the State budget, except those specially reserved by His Highness or those relating to the ruling dynasty. The final financial control however will still remain with His Highness and adequate safeguards to keep up His Highness' position and dignity as a ruler have been provided in the act.—A. P.

COUNCIL OF STATE

Budget Session To Begin On January 23

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13.

The Council of State will begin its Budget Session on January 23.

Two reasons are given to explain why it is meeting earlier than usual. Firstly, it must pass the "Wheat Bill" before February 7, which is the last date, up to which the Government of India has power to collect the Import Duty by Executive order. This power lasts two months from the date of the introduction of the Bill (December 7) and must lapse unless in the meantime the Bill is passed by both Houses. Secondly, the income-tax bill must be passed in time to enable the Finance Member to include in the Finance Bill the rates under the slab system.

The income tax Bill is expected to be placed on the table of the Council on the opening day. The next three sittings will be devoted to the first reading stage of the Motor Vehicles Bill, which after its passage by the Assembly was placed on the table at the Simla session.

The Incometax Bill and the Wheat Bill will thereafter be taken and efforts made to pass them by the first week of February.—A. P.

RAJKOT CONVICTIONS

Maniben And Mridulaben Jailed For Defiance Of Orders

RAJKOT, Dec. 13.

Smt. Mani Ben Patel, daughter of Sardar Patel and Smt. Mridulaben Sarabhai, were both sentenced to one month imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 100 each, or in default imprisonment for a further week.

They were convicted on a charge of defying the order directing them not to address public meetings in Rajkot.

Both of them, it is stated, have decided not to pay the fine but undergo imprisonment in default.

Fourteen people were arrested at the public meeting.

Picketing at Durbargadh was allowed to continue peacefully. No arrests were made.—United Press.

RAJKOT POLICEMEN TO RESIGN?

(From Our Correspondent).

RAJKOT, Dec. 13.

The Rajkot State granted Rs. 4 as allowance to 150 policemen for special service in the present fight. But recently the authorities cut off this allowance of several policemen. So they went to Sir Patrick Cadell to tender their resignation but it is reported that they were threatened by the Dewan. So, they intend seeing Police Superintendent Valeravala.

The sensational Gunda Murder Case was taken up to-day but was postponed for further hearing till Thursday.

OTTAWA ECHO IN COMMONS

LONDON, Dec. 13.

Asked in the House of Commons what was the present position of the negotiations between the United Kingdom and India on the question of Import Duties on Cotton goods exported from Britain, Mr. O. Stanley recalled the Indian Assembly statement of December 5 to the effect that the Ottawa Agreement would not be continued beyond the next Budget session. This decision, said Mr. Stanley, did not imply and breakdown in the negotiations and the whole matter was under the consideration of the Government of India.

Asked whether, in view of the denunciation of the Ottawa Agreement by India, he would press for an early decision on the matter, Mr Stanley replied that he was only too anxious for the earliest possible decision.—Reuter.

MACDONALD ON 'NEW IMPERIALISM'

LONDON, Dec. 13.

Mr. Malcom MacDonald addressing the Constitutional Club, London spoke on the British Empire. He said the people talked about Imperialism, as though it meant exploitation, duping and domination of the weaker peoples by strong people. "How ignorant they are of the changes which have been going on inside the British Empire which have reached a climax in our time" A new imperialism which was an antithesis of that conception had growing up inside the Empire.—Reuter.

M. C. C. WIN

PRETORIA, Dec. 13.

The M.C.C. won by an innings and 76 runs in their match against North Eastern Transvaal which began on Saturday.

Scores North Eastern Transvaal 161 and 142 (Brown 35, Verity 4/20, Edrich 2/17).

M.C.C. 379 for 6 (declared.)—Reuter.

BAN ON MEETINGS DEFIED

Kolhapur Peasants Hold Meeting

(From Our Correspondent).

MIRAJ, Dec. 13.

On Monday despite police threats, a meeting of Kolhapur State peasants of Raibag Taluka was held at Bekeri and demanded civil liberties, reduction of assessment, Responsible Government. The Iamamsaheb from Hilkal presided.

Messrs. Revankatti and Koranne addressed the meetings at Molwad in Sangli State and at Miraj respectively and condemned repression in Kolhapur and congratulated the arrested.

Camp No. 1 of workers for Shirol Peta will be opened near Ankli Bridge on the 16th by Mr. Madhavrao Bagal. Camps will be organised in other talukas also.

HARTAL IN KOLHAPUR VILLAGES

Case Against Kisan Leaders Adjourned

(From Our Correspondent):

KOLHAPUR, Dec. 12.

The four Kisan leaders, Messrs. Havire, Balwant Deshingkar, Dadasaheb Desai and Dinkarrao Desai, who are in jail custody here, were produced before the District Magistrate at 1 p.m. today. A huge crowd of nearly 5,000 men and women was peacefully standing in front of the court, which was strongly guarded by the police. Excepting prosecuting and defending counsel and a few reporters none was allowed inside the Court.

All the accused, who were cheered by the crowd, with shouts of "Vande Mataram" and "Mahatma Gandhi-ki-jai" looked cheerful.

Raosaheb Sowani, Public Prosecutor, Kolhapur, conducted the police case while Messrs. Shreshti Vardhamane, Bagade and Patil defended the accused.

The case was adjourned to the 14th instant as the defence wanted time for preparation

The police case against Mr. Ladge, the fifth accused, being yet incomplete the date of its hearing is not fixed.

There is great excitement at Shirol Jaysingpur and other villages in the eastern part of the State. Villagers and merchants are observing "Hartal" and taking Prabhat Feris, as a protest against the Durbar's policy of repression. Armed police are posted at certain places.

FOUR RIFLEMEN WOUNDED

Tribesmen's Activities In S. Waziristan

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13.

It is reported from South Waziristan that a party of tribesmen endeavoured to rush a camp piquet, near Marobi, on the night of the 9th December says a communique.

Three bombs were thrown into the piquet, two of which were returned by the garrison, but the third exploded wounding four riflemen of the 2/1st Gurkha Rifles. The attackers were driven off.

There has been some sniping of road protection troops and scouts on the Razmak-Jandola road and gangs are abroad in that area for mischief. A road bomb was discovered and exploded near Kotkai. A Jirga of the Ahmadzai Wazirs has been interviewed and ordered to expel Mehr Dil, who was responsible for the recent attack on Bannu City, from their territory. A Jirga of the Jani Khel has also been seen and ordered to arrange for the surrender of certain kidnapped persons. The Jirga stated that they would endeavour to comply with the order.—A. P.

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TEXTILE INQUIRY

Rationalisation Without Wage Cut

T. U. C. LEADERS' MEMORANDUM

Demand For Limiting Of Night Shift And Payment Of Allowance

THE FIXING OF THE MINIMUM WAGE OF RS. 35 FOR ANY OCUPATION IN THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY WITH THE ULTIMTE AIM OF ATTAINING A MINIMUM LIVING WAGE OF RS 45.

CARRYING OUT A SCHEME OF STANDARDISATION OF WGES AND MUSTERS IN CONSULTATION WITH TEXTILE UNONS AFFILIATED TO THE BOMBAY PROVINCIAL TRADE UNON CONGRESS, IN SUCH A MANNER THAT IT WILL NOT RFULT IN ANY WAGE-CUT;

STOPPING OF RATIONALISATION AS AT PRESENT UNDETAKEN, AND ITS ADOPTION ONLY WHERE PROVISION AGINST UNEMPLOYMENT AND EXTRA STRAIN IMPOSED BY IT, S FOUND;

IMITING OF NIGHT SHIFTS TO SEVEN HOURS, AND THE PAMENT OF WAGES AND ALLOWANCES TO BE ARRANGED IN A MNNER WHICH WILL NOT RESULT IN THE FALL OF EARNING.

hese were some of the main demands made by the Bombay Provicial Trade Union Congress, in the course of their memorandm submitted to the Textile Inquiry Committee which resumed its sings at the Town Hall on Tuesday morning.

Th Trade Union Congress was represented by Messrs. Jamnadas Meht S. A. Dange, S. S. Mirajkar, R. S. Nimbkar and S. C. Joshi.

MINIMUM WAGE

On he question of fixing a minimu wage standard, the Memoranum stated that they were alive t the fact that in no country in he world had the workers secure a minimum wage without a strugle. Where the workers were nt organised they failed to get it.

T. U. DEMAND

The Trade Union Congress stood for a nimum wage of Rs. 35 below whh no wage in any industry shold fall. This was not a living wage. A living wage in Bombayshould come to about Rs. 45 per nth. Yet they had suggested R. 35 as the lowest in any occupath because they felt that the indutry as it was to-day would nt be able to meet the higher mand.

The nmorandum pointed out that th monthly average wage on the Railways was near Rs. 40; and in he Engineering trades near Rs 41. Organised mill finance incollaboration with the state an operating on a large scale ha beaten down the wages in the Textile Industry. Nor could th Textile Industry escape comparisn with the Railways because it too had been receiving protectio from the State.

STNDARDISATION

Dealingwith the question of standardhtion the memorandum stated tht the issue of standardisatio had never come before the ast mass of workers before th General Strike of 1928. Wages inthe Textile Industry, as in anyother industry, differed from millto mill. It meant anarchy in the wage rates. The rapid chages that came over the Indusy during the war enhanced th anarchy. After giving instances f attempts to introduce standrdisation and under that guise to effect wage cuts, the memorndum stated that to the worker in Bombay a standard schem meant a clever cover for wage ct whose extent was unknown.

While dewing any scheme of standardisatn, they thought that it woul be best to do it, when wages ould be levelled up and wage-cus consequent on standardisatn could be avoided by wage-incase. They thought that the present time was most propitious frn that point of view.

RATIONALISATION

Coming to he question of rationalisation the memorandum stated that to the employers rationalisation meant any scheme that would rduce the wage bill as much as pssible and increase their margin f surplus. Rationalisation when irst introduced in Bombay took arious forms. The objection from the workers side did not concntrate mainly on the question of the percentage f the increase in remuneratio. The objection was to unemplcment and greater strain and tigue.

It was often claimed that ationalisation had led to increed wages. The wage census did not bear out this claim. After ing figures from the census recd to show that the increase in arnings was not as high as i was stated to be, the memorndum says:—

"The effect of rationalisation on total employment is in th very nature of things bound to e a fall in employment, unless its offset by night shifts or any multiple shift system. Wage-rates of course do not rise 'pro rata'; if they were to, the employers would have no interest in the system. The question of production, strn and fatigue require investigation. It would be necessary to find out the turnover of labour, the agegroups, the sickness ncidence in the rational units in order to gauge the effects."

NIGHT SIFT

Coming to the qstion of night shift, the memorndum stated that it had to be ccepted as a necessity, if there was no other way of increasing production and employment.

The strain of night shift work was greater tha that of dayshift work—apa from the facility of sleeping during the day time. And th housing conditions of the wrkers were such that it was vey difficult for them to get a plac where they could sleep in pece during the day time.

It was, therefore, suggested that night shift orkers should be paid an extra slowance and their hours of wrk should be reduced to seven hurs without causing a fall in the earnings.

TATE'S DUTY

The memorandum also suggested that ne State should undertake legislation in order to protect the worker against the economic efects of sickness, old age, unmployment and to provide th worker with holidays in order to recoup himself to become a more efficient worker.

HOUSING OF WORKERS.

On he question of the housing of wokers, the memorandum after drawing a picture of the deplorable ondition of housing in the working classes made a plea for a well-planned and speedy housebuilding programme for all the workers accompanied by reduction of ents.

With regard to the chawls owned by Millowners, the memorandun suggested that the management of these chawls should be taen over by the Improvement Trust or any public and statutory agency.

Secondly, in order to scale down rnts and remove housing congestion, the committee suggested a compulsory diversion of capital inrestment to the north of the city.

BONUS ISSUE.

The memorandum also made a claim for a bonus of Four Weeks' pay, in a separate Appendix.

The Appendix stated that it was the intention of the Textile Inquiry Committee to recommend in its interim report such a percentage of increase as would have enable the workers to draw over a period of two years from the Millowners eight per cent. in the saving in cost which had accrued to them from the low cotton prices prevailing in 1937. But as the Government had conveyed to the Committee, its intention to confer by legislation certain sickness and old age benefits to the workers, the committee had actually recommended only such an increase as would absorb 4 per cent. of the saving in co and not the eight per cent. as originally intended.

Since the Government had not introduced ie promised measures they claim that the difference between th sum originally intended and the sum ultimately recommende should be paid to the workers in the shape of a bonus.

ALLEGED BRIBERY.

Sensational allegations of instances f bribery in the textile mills frn such workers, recruited on "Bal" system, were made by Mr. R. S. Nimbkar, Secretary to the Girni Kamgar Union, (Red Flag) i the course of his oral evidence before the Committee.

He added that the Labour officer who had been appraised of thes cases would be as "sorrowful" about the knowledge as they wer and that he himself, in some instances, had instructions from the Labour officer to resort to dire action.

he chairman the Hon. Mr. Juste H. V. Divatia stated that he vuld consult the Labour officer the matter when he would come o before the Committee to be xamined.

Asked by the chairman whether the outside world would not measure the strength of the organisation of their Union by its numerical strength and consequently judge whether they would be in a position to deliver the goods, Mr. Jamnadas Mehta stated that without detracting the value of the Union for whatever number it comprised he admitted that the desideratum was necessary, although for the consummation of the same, there were practical difficulties. As an instance he cited the example of the Indian National Congress which could deliver the goods on behalf of the 350 millions of people, although its membership comprised only 30 lacs.

Mr. Nimbkar added that their Union was in a position to deliver the goods.

In reply to a further question, Mr. Dange stated that "consumer" was a good peg to hang on, but he had no objection to the consumers' interests being safeguarded, subject to the proviso that the workers' interests should be safeguarded in the first instance.

In reply to a further question from the chairman, Mr. Dange stated that there should be no arbitrator and that he was against the whole system of arbitration.

UNION MEMBERSHIP.

Questioned by the chairman whether the membership of the Union as challenged by the Millowners' Association was only nominal, Mr. Nimbkar stated that he was prepared to take up the challenge and that he would produce necessary office records to show that it was not nominal.

With regard to the minimum wage schedule of the Millowners Association, Mr. Dange stated that the Association refused to let him see the copy of the scheme. He had, however, learnt that the Bombay Millowners Association was comparing their scheme with that of the Ahmedabad Millowners Association and they had not made up their mind as to which was the better of the two. To a further question he stated that the minimum standard had not yet been reached and to indicate the same a "madli" worker's pay for a day in a particular instance was zero, the "ticket" of which was produced by the representatives before the Committee.

Asked whether the worker could not score up the money value of bonus or other allowance that he would get in cash by the grant of social amenities, as otherwise the workers might squander away his money, Mr. Dange stated that in the industry there were very few who could get Rs. 50 and that those who got less spent only on immediate necessities. Anyway rationalisation should be independent of and should be over and above any social welfare scheme. He objected to the very approach to the question.

MINIMUM WAGE SCHEDULE.

In reply to a question from Mr. V. L. Mehta as to whether the minimum wage schedule was not compiled scientifically by the Millowners' Association, Mr. Dange pointed out that the scientific nature of the schedule could be judged, if it were compared with the previous schedule.

The representatives replied to a further query that it was possible to arrive at some scheme of standardisation which might not involve reductions in the wage rates in certain units which were paying highly comparatively for certain occupations. Standardisation did not necessarily mean that certain wages might have to be brought down.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

To a further question, the representatives stated that from the view point of collective bargaining, a strong organisation of the employers would wield uniform influence. Mr. Dange stated that he would rather have the present Millowners' Association in Bombay than have no association at all. In the absence of such an association, there would be anarchy.

In reply to a further query, the representatives did not think that the housing problem could be solved by co-operative societies.

MONETARY WAGE

Questioned by Mr. D. R. Gadgil Mr. Dange stated that the determination of the monetary wage should not be affected by any indirect benefit. Under the head indirect benefit he put sickness first and holidays with pay next.

The schedule of the Millowners' Association gave some protection to time workers. But their objection was that the conciliation officer often treated it as maximum and restricted the Millowners who happened to pay higher wages.

PROTECTIVE MEASURE

Rationalisation, Mr. Dange stated, in answer to further questions was a protective measure brought in by Millowners to increase profit. In that view he was opposed to it. But he would do technical improvement if the social effects of such improvement could be remedied.

WORKER'S FAMILY BUDGET

Answering questions put by Mr. Brelvi, Mr. Dange said that a worker arranged his family budget partly by going into debt, partly by sending his children and his wife to work. Even then they had not enough food

To further questions it was stated that the gains of rationalisation should not be used for the purpose of levelling wages. It was a question of dividing profits and should not be related to the question of establishing a living wage standard.

T. U. CONSCIOUSNESS

It was also stated that it was wrong to say that the weakness of Trade Union organisations in Bombay was due to the apathy of workers. 95 per cent of the workers in Bombay were Trade Union conscious. But they were afraid of victimisation of Millowners. Mr. Nimbkar also stated that the appointment of a labour officer to deal with the day to day grievances of workers was derogatory to the growth of the Trade Union Movement.

MISSION SCHOOL FOR BLIND

Mayor's Assurance At Prize Distribution

The prize distribution of the American Mission School for the Blind was held on Tuesday evening in the school compound. His Worship, the Mayor of Bombay presided, and gave away the prizes to the blind pupils.

An exhibition of the various handicrafts executed by the students was also held. Braille writing frames, Marble Boards, Peg Boards, Plates, Frames, Braille Typewriters, Mathematic Boards and other school accessories were some of the articles on display.

A demonstration was given of the different branches of vocational training imparted to the blind and deaf students.

Mrs. M. O. Thomas, the wife of the Superintendent of the school read the report for the year.

MAYOR'S ASSURANCE.

The President then delivered his address and stated that he regretted very much that the Bombay Corporation had last year turned down the appeal for a grant to this benevolent Institution on communal grounds. He promised to do his best to secure a grant for such a noble and deserving cause.

Governor Opens Clinic And Garden Of Leper Hospital

SURAT, Dec. 13.

H. E. the Governor of Bombay opened the Clinic and Garden of the Parvatibai Leper Hospital, Surat, on Tuesday.

A handsome sum was contributed by Mr. Rustomji Sorabji Panchlaiwala for the provision of grain, and the provision of the Garden and Clinic was made possible by the munificence of Khan Saheb Chowdry and Mr. Nagindas Singapori.

NON-ISSUE OF PASSES TO EMPLOYEES

N. S. Rly. Authorities Criticised

SECUNDERABAD, Dec. 10.

A mass meeting of H.E.H. the N. S. Railway workers was held on Thursday the 8th instant at the Jamshed Hall Market Street, Secunderabad, Mr. M. V. S. Sarma, Vice-President, in the Chair.

Mr. N. Ramachander Rao, General Secretary, and Asst. Secretaries, Messrs. N. Raghavendra Rao, S. Abdul Huq and several others spoke on the subject of the non-issue of passes to the employees on the Home line during Xmas and criticised the attitude of the Railway administration in curtailing the privileges of the staff, including holidays to the clerical staff.

Mr. N. Ramachander Rao, speaking on the present situation, explained the way in which about 70 Checkers in the Road Transport Department have been reverted as Conductors on the plea of economy, thereby inflicting double punishment both by reversion in grade and in pay. He strongly criticised the policy of the Administration for enforcing such economy measures on the low paid staff, while those at the top were untouched. The way in which reductions, retrenchment, etc., were carried out indicated that the security of service of the railway employees was at stake.

He appealed to the workers to organise themselves into a very strong Union and exhorted them to have patience and to work hard. He said that Railway employees had three obligations: to satisfy H.E.H. the Nizam's Government, the Railway Administration and the public.—A. P.

It has been decided to hold the 10th All-Karnataka Ayurvedic Conference at Bellary on 25th, 26th and 27th instant at Bellary. Ayurveda Vidwan, Bhishagchudamani Sri Y. Lakshminarasimha Sastry, L.M.P., Principal of the Government Ayurvedic Unani College, Mysore, will preside. Doctors (Allopathic, Ayurvedic) and Unani Hakeims and all interested in medicine are invited to attend the Conference.

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BRAHMACHARI

Amusing Comedy Does Credit To Vinayak

This is not the critic's but the cine-goers' own column and they are invited to express their views in it.

"R. P. A." writes:—

Among Indian films it is rare to see a really good comedy. But "Bramhachari" is certainly amusing. It is all the more surprising, for it is a satirical attack, almost malicious and propagandist, on many institutions and ideals for which one has much respect. It is an attack on moralism, celibacy and even on zeal for national service. National leaders and ideals are made to look not a little foolish, and have not escaped tarring from the sweeping brush of the author, Mr. Atre. When I was looking at the picture, quite without an effort, began to appear before me the shades of La Mancha, Swift, and Dickens at his jolliest in the Pickwick Papers. As regards venom and deadliness, La Mancha and Dickens are too inoffensive and good natured to provide a proper comparison.

The Director certainly knows his job. The story is clear and convincing, and even if you don't know the language you can follow the trend of events.

PADMA DEVI.
Who puts over a good performance in "Zamana", at Imperial.

Coming to the actors themselves Master Vinayak is a jolly fellow no doubt, and amply justifies his many layers of fat, for fat men are supposed to be jolly. He is lucky that nature has endowed him with a pair of eyes that would single him out as a natural comedian anywhere, and a generous mouth so full of teeth that he does'nt have to grin to show a lot of them. He is unconcious mixture of all the comedians, dead and alive of Hollywood and Elstree, and to be fair he never once indulges in over-acting or vulgarity. He keeps the fun of the picture uniformly alive, by being what he is supposed to be a simple and enthusiastic youngster, a bit oversize and, slightly off his head.

Meenakshee deserved the gold medal that she got and I hope she will get some more. Her talent for comedy is pure, unadulterated, and her finesse masterly. It, surely, is not her fault that the camera is sometimes unkind to her. One minute she looks sweet sixteen and the next much older.

JAIRAJ
plays the male lead in Bombay Talkies' "Bhabi" coming to Roxy

THIS WEEK'S RELEASES

Bombay Talkies'

"BHABI"

Comes To Roxy On Saturday

"Zamana", Poignant Tragedy At Imperial; Mysterious "Professor Vaman" At West End

"DIVORCE" TO FOLLOW "LAL BUZAKKAD" AT KRISHNA

RENUKA
Bombay Talkies' "discovery", will be seen and heard in "Bhabi".

New Trends In Indian Cinema

"Industrial India", General Films New Release, Proves A Welcome Portent

(BY OUR FILM CRITIC.)

"Industrial India.", the General Films production at the Royal Opera House, vindicates its name, even though the story deals only with one industry—the film industry Even in its moments of crude melodrama and technical imperfections it is representative of the social, economic and political complexities of modern India.

Director Mohan Sinha was responsible for two earlier pictures "Fashionable India" and "Romantic India"—and his present film naturally sounds like a part of this triology. But it can be said at once that, both in the conception of the theme and its actual filmic presentation, the present picture is a distinct advance over Mr. Mohan Sinha's earlier efforts. With a commendable sense of the topical, he has chosen to tell his story with the background of India's infant industrialism. Evidently the playwright has been moved by the economic exploitation of his country and wants to tell us about the great advantages of starting industries. He has a social conscience, too, and he has been struck by the contrasts of poverty and wealth so evident in our big cities. The alternating shots of huge buildings rising up in the Fort areas and the gloomy dwellings of workers in Bombay's slumland (with the song: *Yeh sunder shehr basae kisne?. . . Mazdooron ne!* providing the vocal background) are brilliant examples of how the cine camera can be intelligently used to expose social and economic phenomenon. The character of the old millionaire squandering his money in 'sutta' rather than invest it in industry is an effective caricature. The tableau depicting the advent of foreign domination as a result of communal bickerings—the "Farangi" with scales in his hands appears in a quick but eloquent flash—is staged with purposeful restraint.

THE PANACEA.

Many will, of course, disagree with Mr. Sinha as to the panacea that he offers—a sort of benevolent capitalism. But then even here he is representative of the not insignificant opinion in the country which seems to think that moderate concessions to workers will solve all economic problems of India.

I give all credit to the Director for daring to produce even this mild attempt to treat social and economic problems on the screen. Indeed I regard "Industrial India" as a significant portent. No longer can you keep the screen divorced from reality. The economic, as much as social, problems demand expression through all breaches of creative art and literature.

Technically, I wish this film was better. Photography and sound recording are uneven, often poor. Too many songs make the picture too long and detract from its social emphasis.

Shobhana Samarth and Prem Adib make a likeable romantic team. With more careful direction they could both have done better. We should watch Prem Adib's future with interest. He has a pleasant personality which will prove a great asset in his career.

The "modern girl" has been slandered in so many films and, even this film, though generally sympathetic to the younger generation, sometimes misrepresents her. Or do "modern girls" (those legendary creatures) really backchat with their parents, slap their admirers and burst into song at the slightest provocation?

As indicating certain healthy and welcome trends in Indian cinema, "Industrial India" must be seen.

K. A. A.

Indian Films For America?

They Want A Picture Of Gandhiji And His Ashram

Last week we published on this page a despatch from our Hollywood correspondent suggesting the possibility of Indian Films being shown in America. Corroboration for the same view is now available from another source. We reproduce below what the London correspondent of "The Hindustan Times" writes on the same subject:—

"Yet another complaint is voiced, this time from America, on the dearth of educational and documentary films from India. My correspondent informs me that there is a very real demand all over the United States for pictures illustrating aspects of Indian life and problems. I am informed that dozens of Amateur Cine Clubs in the country would gladly rent or buy interesting documentary pictures and travelogues of India. The prohibition campaign in Madras and other presidencies would, it is suggested, make an excellent subject, provided it is not partisan and illustrates the salient aspects of the problem. "We have not heard enough in recent months of Gandhi, and hundreds of people all over the States would be glad to have a picture of the life he leads in his ashram. Efforts of the various provinces at educational and social improvement would also make very interesting subjects for short films which American audiences would be very glad to welcome." Every Indian who has toured in America has been surprised at the liveliness of the interest several sections of the people take in India and Indian affairs. and it, therefore, seems a pity that a move is not made to supply this very real need."

Sunder, Shanta Hublikar and V asant in "My Son."

The local film market certainly shows signs of brightening up for the New Year. "My Son" and 'Street Singer" are quite likely to stay on to greet 1939, while that uproariously funny Marathi comedy, "Brahmachari," seems to have dug itself in at the Majestic. "Industrial India" is doing well at Opera House.

Among recent releases, "Zamana" proved quite a pleasant surprise by its vigorous treatment of a burning social problem while lovers of mystery and crime "thrillers" will welcome "Professor Vaman" at West End. Minerva's "Divorce" is expected to follow "Lal Buzakkad" at Krishna. The most important release this week, however, is expected to be "Bhabi", the new Bombay Talkies picture, which opens at Roxy on Saturday

"BHABI"—A NEW THEME

"Bhabi", it is expected, will introduce a refreshingly new theme in Indian films. Too many pictures have been made on the conventional romantic triangle—boy meets girl and vanquishes the villain! Even the films with social themes are becoming stereotyped in their stories. The walls

SHOBHANA SAMARTH
depicts India in chains in "Industrial India" at Opera.

(mostly in song) of dejected and heart-broken lovers have echoed from every cinema hall and it was high time we were given a new deal in film stories. The Bombay Talkies promise us this new deal in "Bhabi" which has been picturized from a Bengali novel written by Mr. Saradindu Bannerji.

Taking the peculiarly honoured position of a "Bhabi" in the Indian family, a story has been built round her with unusual dramatic possibilities. The interest is not restricted to one or two characters alone As many as three girls are involved in the drama which takes a strange turn when the life of "Bhabi" touches upon theirs. Scandal raises its ugly heads darkening the life of an innocent youth. But the emphasis of the story, we believe, is not on crowding 'damatic' situations but on the presentation of a series of characters and their respective reaction. As such it is expected to be a picture of Indian family life in one of its interesting aspects.

The cast (as we have said before) includes Renuka Devi, Jairaj, Meera and Maya—a combination of talent which is most promising.

Fresh Attractions In Marcus Show

Last Programme At The Excelsior This Week

With the third and last programme presented at the Excelsior on Monday, the Marcus Company are introducing 33 new items which, with those already seen during the past four weeks, bring the total numbers in their repertoire to more than a hundred.

The new programme has all the spectacular effect and entertaining qualities that have made the previous performances so popular with every class of the public.

The lovely little star Ha Cha San, who previously appeared as the "Silver Goddess," now dances the "Golden Goddess" in the "Vineyard of Girls" number, against a gorgeous setting of the whole ensemble wearing bunches of grapes in their costumes.

The "Mechanical Age" was a magnificent novelty in dance-movements done in rhythm, symbolical of the "futuristic" tendency in America, showing a joyous carnival of dance and song by all members of the troupe with the Clymas-Lorretta and Joe—dominating the spectacle with their spirited dance on a table.

The "Orange Grove" which picturesquely recreated golden California was a pretty scene with the whole company—the lilting song by Bob White and Lillian McCoy, the variegated costumes scintillating under the beautiful light effects and the flaming gold of the fruits in the garden setting —a these making a fairy scene of enchanting beauty.

The "Carioca" dance by the two Clymas had the gay, pulsating rhythm of South America; while Senora Sofia Alvarez, the "personality girl" of the company, appeared in some new Mexican melodies with snappy dances. Ha Cha Sa's "Fan Dance" surrounded by the chorines gracefully waving ostrich feathers made a beautiful spectacle; and the "Californian Nightingale," Ruth Durrell, sing with the charm and engaging weetness so peculiarly her own.

Nirska, who had been appearing in her beautiful "Butterfly Dance" all these days, now presents a change with the "Tibetan Prayer Dance" in a picturesque setting of a Dalai Lma Monastery, with two girls forming statues high up in the front pillars. The number was rounded off by a big ensemble with Nirska in the centre making beautiful patterns in the air with prayer banners.

Janada reveald some more of her marvellous acrobatic feats Sharon de Vries was delightful as usual in her clever burlesque of an opera singer.

The rest of the programme was filled by several items of entertaining sketches and comedy in which Ben Mckee, Dorothy Condy, Sparky Kaye, Roland Romas and Harold Lloyd and his "jigsaws" along with others keep the audience in good humour—D. C. S.

Krishin Movietone's "Zamana"

Padma And Dar Share Honours

The Krishin Movietone's latest film, "Zamana" proved quite a surprise to the large gathering that saw it on Saturday along with Mrs. Lilavati Munshi who commended the enterprise of the producers and the work of the Director and the artists.

It was a surprise, for it dealt with a social theme in a remarkably powerful manner. The dowery system has been attacked on the screen before but seldom with such deadly effect. The tragedy of the climax comes like a stunning blow—a challenge to cruel conventionalism.

Mr. Ram Daryani, the young Director, considering his immature experience, has done good work. He is often enterprising in his treatment and if he had better technical assistance, might have shown an even more brilliant result. With greater experience he is bound to improve.

Padma Devi put over a powerful performance as the unsophisticated but educated wife of the Professor. Tragedy seems to be her particular forte. Nazir's performance was adequate, though tending towards over-emphasis. The outstanding characterization was that of Dar who won immediate sympathy as "Master Sahib". This young man certainly can act.

I wish the comedy portions could be a little less blatant and the songs did not crash in at inopportune moments.

K. A. A.

Film audiences are in for a dose of stories about Abraham Lincoln now. Sam Goldwyn is to star Gary Cooper in "Lincoln," and 20th-Century-Fox are planning "Lawyer in the West" for Henry Fonda—a much better choice for the part than their original one of Tyrone Power. And other studios are said to be thinking of Lincoln, too

Must Prevent

THIS DISGRACE!

Appeal To Leaders To Have Nothing To Do With "Sixty Glorious Years"

In connection with an announcement regarding a specil show of the film "Sixty Glorios Years" in aid of the Bengal Detenus Relief Fund, the followig letter has been addressed to Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose and Panit Jawaharlal Nehru (whose names were mentioned as likely to attad the show) by Messrs. A. K. Ghse and D. G. Tendulkar:—

"The picture "Sixty Glorius Years" depicts the reign of Quen Victoria and is an unadulterad glorification of British imperalist conquest. The picture is purly and simply a piece of propagada for inculcating in the mind of spectators the might, the gory and the blessings of the Brish Empire.

"We firmly believe and weare sure you will agree with us hat it would be an insult to our etenu comrades if this film is used for the purpose given in the report. It would be an insult t the Congress, to our nation, for our national leaders like you, to be associated in any way with the popularisation of the picture

"We are sure that you will take immediate steps to prevent this disgrace.

"Lest you think that we are not describing the picture correcly we would request you to read te review of the picture in the Bombay Chronicle" which we enclose herewith.

"It is not that we are oposed to screening of pictures for raising funds for national puposes. A picture like "Blockade", or instance, which depicts the orrors of Spanish civil war and were the whole tone is democratic and antifascist can be screened fr national purposes. So are the other films, too. But in no case should a picture like "Sixty Glorious Years" be associated with anything connected with the Congess and with our national movement."

SOFIA ALVAREZ
the dark-haired Mexican beauty who appears in the Marcus Show at Excelsior.

TAMIL TALKIE PRODUCTION AT IMPERIAL STUDIO

The monumental Tamil historical story "Kumunan" or 'taja Yogi" is being produced by the Imperial Studio, Bombay, with several South Indian musicians under the direction of Mr. K. R. Rao the well-known Cine-Director of South India.

The well-known Soth Indian Artist, V. A. Chellapa, plays the leading role with Miss T. P. Rajalakshmi.

Mr. Chellappa and Miss Rajalakshmi have just finished their own production, in Tmil "Mathuraj Keeran" in the Vadia Movietone Studio, which will be released in South India early next month.

Jagdish and Kananbala in "Street Singer."

RATE WAR IN HAJ TRAFFIC

Mitha's Resolution In Port Haj Committee Meeting Carried

(From A Correspondent).

A meeting of the Port Haj Committee was held on Tuesday at 5 p.m. at the Office of the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, Mr. W. R. G. Smith, the Commissioner presiding.

In pursuance of the resolution passed by the Committee on Dec. 6 appointing a Sub-Committee, the unanimous report of the latter was placed before the Committee.

RATE WAR ISSUE

The report of the Sub-Committee states:—

"The Sub-Committee considered a letter dated the 5th December, 1938, from Mr. Mahomed Suleman Cassum Mitha, M.L.A., J.P., forwarding a resolution suggesting fixation of fairly reasonable, stable and uniform fares in pilgrim service.

"With some modification, Mr. Mitha moved his resolution which was seconded by Mr Serang:—

"That as the Bombay Port Haj Committee has been of the opinion that the rate war in the Haj traffic is not beneficial to the pilgrims, it deplores the situation that has been created in that traffic pursuant to the recent statement issued by the Mogul Line terminating the arrangement regarding the minimum rate which was made with the help and the influence of the Commerce Member.

"That, as the advent of the Scindia Line in that traffic has been able to secure the facilities, comforts and conveniences which the Hajis were badly in want of for years past which our Committee had from time to time urged unsuccessfully to the then only Shipping Company engaged in the pilgrim traffic, the Government of India should be urged upon to see that that Line is not driven out of that service and that they should take immediate steps to fix fairly reasonable, stable and uniform fares in that service in consultation at a conference with the representatives of the Shipping Companies engaged in the Haj traffic, the representatives of the Haj Committee of the ports of Bombay, Karachi and Calcutta and the representatives of the Central Standing Haj Committee, so that the pilgrims can continue to enjoy the benefit of efficient services for reasonable fares and with all the necessary facilities which they require and which they deserve. In the meantime the present fares should be continued as fixed fares.

"That the Secretary be authorised to send a copy of this resolution to the Government of India, to the Shipping Companies serving the trade and to the press."

"The above resolution was carried unanimously."

When this resolution came up before the Port Haj Committee, nine members voted for and seven against it.

FOR THE RESOLUTION

Messrs. Mahomed Suleiman Cassum Mitha, Aziz Gaffur Kazi, K. B. Hasanali P. Ebrahim, Haji Ahmed Mahomed Bhindiwalla, Messrs. Mahomed E. Serang, Gulamhusain Matchiswalla, Mrs. Shaffi Tyabji, Haji Alimahomed Jelal and Abdul Latiff Curtay.

AGAINST THE RESOLUTION

Mr. Abdul Kader Valiulla, K. S. Hyderali Bachoonali, Zeneali Reza, Col. Beiderbeck, Mr. Berkley, Mr. Borrirow, Mr. W. R. G. Smith.

When poll was demanded the Commissioner of Police, who is the presiding authority refused it, though according to the current by-laws of the Port Haj Committee it is laid down that "votes shall be taken by show of hands but shall be taken by ballot, if the majority of members present so desire."

It may be noted that the Commissioner of Police, who is the presiding authority is usually to vote only in case of a tie but in this instance he exercised his vote when there was no question of a tie.

The last four of those who voted against the resolution are officials.

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FORFEITED LANDS RESTORATION ACT

Govt. Issues Schedule Of Property

The following Notification appears in the Bombay Government "Gazette Extraordinary" issued on Monday:

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (3) of section 1 of the Bombay Forfeited Lands Restoration Act, 1938 (Bom. XXII of 1938), the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that the said Act shall come into force with effect from the 13th day of December, 1938.

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-Section ( ) of Section 2 of the Bombay Forfeited Lands Restoration Act, 1938 (Bom. XXII of 1938), the Government of Bombay is hereby pleased to specify the lands described in the schedule as forfeited lands for the purposes of the said Act.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the Government of Bombay will issue on or after 28th December, 1938, a declaration under section 4 of the Bombay Forfeited Lands Restoration Act, 1938, specifying which of the lands mentioned in the schedule will in the public interest be acquired and restored to the original holders. The Tribunal to be appointed under the Act will shortly thereafter publish notices under section 5. On the expiry of fifteen days after these notices have been published, it will be open to Government to take possession of the lands specified in them. The present notice is issue in order that present holders of forfeited lands may have at least a month's notice instead of the fifteen days' notice prescribed under the Act of the intention of Government to take possession of these lands.

NOTICE TO PARTIES.

Those holders of forfeited lands who wish to receive compensation in accordance with sub-Section (3) of Section 9 of the Act should give intimation accordingly to the Collector of the district.

If there are any original holders of forfeited lands whose lands have not been included in the schedule and have not already been returned to them, they should inform Government accordingly.

KASHI VIDYAPITH AND JAMIA MILLIA

Degrees Recognised By U. P. Govt.

LUCKNOW, Dec. 13

The degrees awarded by the Kashi Vidyapith and the Jamia Millia of Delhi have been recognised by the United Provinces Government as equivalent to the Bachelor of Arts degree of chartered universities in the province—United Press.

Drawn Match At Melbourne

MELBOURNE, Dec. 13

In a four day match to celebrate the Centenary of the Melbourne Cricket Club, the Australian Test players, recently returned from England, played a Drawn match against the "Rest"

The 'Rest' 215 (Barnes 63, O'Reilly 5 for 73, Fleetwood-Smith 4 for 79) and 324 for eight wickets (Rigg 71, L Edward 85).

Australian Eleven 426 (Bradman 118, McCabe 105, Brown 67, Badcock 51 not out).—Reuter.

Echo Of Sikar Struggle

Jaipur Dissolves Enquiry Commisson, But Raja Not To Visit Sikar

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13.

Mr. Husain, Publicity Officer, Jaipur, wires to the Associated Press as follows:—

An extraordinary issue of "Jaipur Gazette" announces that the Jaipur Government has dissolved the Sikar Enquiry Commission as a result of the acceptance by H. H. the Maharaja of Jaipur of the unqualified apology which Rao Raja tendered on October 8.

After careful consideration of Rao Raja's submission and of the results of the Commission's enquiries, his Highness has, in supersession of the previous orders on the object, passed revised orders regarding the future administration of Sikar Thikana. Under the orders, Rao Raja will exercise no powers in connection with the administration of Sikar Thikana, which will be carried on by a senior officer to be appointed by His Highness.

Rao Raja has been permitted to return to and reside in Jaipur City, subject to certain conditions, but he is not allowed to visit Sikar Thikana.—A. P.

EXODUS FROM TALCHER

Mr. Mehtab Criticises Darbar's Statement

WARDHAGANJ, Dec. 12.

Mr. Harikrishnan Mehatab, a member of the Congress Working Committee, has issued the following statement:—

"My attention has been drawn to a statement published in the press by the secretary to the ruler of Talcher regarding my interview with the Ruler. I am surprised to see how the exodus of 20,000 people from a small State like Talcher is treated so lightly by the Talcher Durbar. Nobody should grudge the durbar its ability and authority to settle matters with its subjects without the intervention of any third party.

As a matter of fact, it is the Durbar which will have to grant concessions including popular Government and all the movement is simply to move the Durbar to grant these concessions. It requires tremendous courage to say that the Talcher rule is superior to the popular Government in Aungul, a British Indian district, and more so to put it in my mouth.—A. P.

HORSES TRAMPLE ON PICKETS

(From Our Correspondent).

RAJKOT, Dec. 12.

After Sir Patrick Cadell's arrival at Darbargadh, horses trampled on pickets as a result of which Mr. Mohanlal Vallabhdas from Bombay was injured on the head. A fourteen year boy fainted and his condition is precarious. Both were removed to West Hospital. One woman picket was also injured. She was removed to the Emergency Hospital.

In all 126 were arrested, including 35 women.

STUDENTS VICTIMISED.

As a consequence of the strike following Miss Maniben Patel's arrest the Karansinhji Middle School's authorities have victimised 22 students by depriving them of their freeships and half-freeships.

The Alfred High School and Dharmendrasinhji College authorities have also demanded explanations for absence on the 7th instant.

The Students' Union takes a very grave view of the situation and is determined to fight out the issue but as the Parishad's policy towards students is undecided—due to Sardar Vallabhbhai's recent statement and speeches, the Union has approached the Parishad requesting clarification of its policy.

The Union held at the Alfred High School a public meeting last evening. More than 300 students attended. Mr. Jamnadas Gandhi, and other prominent local workers were present.

HALF-DAY HARTAL.

Due to Miss Mrudulaben Sarabhai's arrest a half-day "hartal" is to be observed to-day.

For crying "Inquilab Zindabad" and "Cadell go back" when Sir P. Cadell visited jail, Miss Vajubhai Shukla and some others were kept in a lock-up on Saturday and sentenced on Sunday to give up all salt, and soup. They all went that day on hunger-strike.

Indians from Africa have sent Rs. 1,000 to the Praja Parishad.

REFORMS IN KURUNDWAD SENIOR

Remission Of 12 1/2 Per Cent Of Land Revenue

HUBLI, December 13.

H. H. the Rani Saheba, Regent of Kurundvad (senior) one of the Southern Mahratta group of States has, with the concurrence of the Resident of Kolhapur and Southern Mahratta States, issued a proclamation granting the principle of Responsible Government to the people and cancelling an earlier order banning public meetings in the State.

The new concessions to the people include a remission of land revenue in Tikkatta Taluka reduction of the annual land revenue by 12 1/2 per cent, removal of tax on oil mills (Swadeshi), and more liberal permission for the manufacture of salt from earth.—A. P

ULTIMATUM TO BENARES RULER

BENARES, Dec. 13.

The Benares State Congress Committee has decided to launch Satyagraha on December 23 next if its demand for full Responsible Government is not conceded by the Maharaja.

An ultimatum to this effect has been submitted to the Maharaja.—United Press.

ALLEGATIONS AGAINST POLICE

HYDERABAD (Deccan), Dec. 12.

The allegations that they were beaten and otherwise maltreated by police after their arrest on December 4, when they offered Satyagrana, were made by five out of the nine accused arrested on that occasion, when they were placed on trial before the First City Magistrate, Mr. Ahmedullah, to-day.

Manohar, one of the Organising Secretaries of the batch, on the other hand, who made allegations, submitted an apology promising not to participate in the movement of the batch, which offered Satyagraha, while the other two were members of the public. Balakdas one of the latter, who was bailed out on the next day after his arrest, said that he had no connection with Congress but was arrested on the scene when going to a cinema. He alleged that when he was taken to the police station, he saw some of those arrested that evening beaten by the police. Seeing this he tried to go away, when he was caught and beaten with shoes and later with lathis.

Digamber Pandurangrao Anandrao Devilal and four other accused made similar allegations. The Magistrate recorded the statements of the accused and adjourned hearing till to-morrow.—A.P.

MUSLIM LEAGUE SESSIONS

Invitation To Aga Khan

PATNA, Dec. 13.

An office of the All-India Muslim League will be opened at Patna on December 17.

The Council of the All-India Muslim League will meet here on December 25.

The general session of the League commences on December 26. The President-Elect of the general session Mr. M. A. Jinnah, who is expected to arrive here on December 24 will be taken in procession on arrival.

Mr. Syed Abdul Aziz, President of the Bihar Provincial Muslim League and Chairman of the Reception Committee has invited the Aga Khan to attend the annua session of the League—A.P.

MARWARI FEDERATION AND STATES

CAWNPORE, Dec. 12.

The Executive Committee of the All-India Marwari Federation at its meeting held here under the presidentship of Lala Padampat Singhania passed a resolution supporting the introduction of Responsible Government in Indian States and assured the States' people of their full sympathy for their aspirations.—A. P.

MAHATMA AND TRAVANCORE

A. K. Pillai On "Memorial" Issue

"Gandhiji's statement of December 10 on Travancore gives an unfortunate and totally wrong impression that the State Congress leaders are persisting in their charges against the Dewan and letting the more important issue of Responsible Government recede into the backgrounds" says Mr. A. K. Pillai, President of the Madras Branch of the Travancore State Congress in a statement.

"The fact is", he adds "that the memorial in question was made to His Highness the Maharaja long before the present struggle started."

He concludes that the whole matter is bound to be placed before the full session of the State Congress which is arranged to take place in the last week of December.

10 CONGRESSMEN ACQUITTED

LUCKNOW, Dec. 13.

Khwaja Ahmad Khan, President of the Mandal Congress Committee who along with nine others were challaned under sub-section 452/147 has been acquitted today in the Sobhannagar case.—United Press

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Feasibility Of Rural Reconstruction & Russian Type Of Planning

Dangers Of Narrow-Mindedness

Dr. Reddy's Sermon On Democracy, Monarchy, Oligarchy And Mobocracy

(From Our Correspondent)

NAGPUR, Dec. 11.

In the course of an 'ex-tempore' address, delivered at the 17th Convocation of Nagpur University, on Saturday afternoon, His Excellency Sir Francis Wylie, Chancellor, presiding, Dr. C. R. Reddy, Vice-Chancellor, Andhra University, surveyed the political atmosphere in India and abroad and extended his hearty congratulations to the young men and women, who had obtained degrees that day. He hoped that their future careers would be successful.

Proceeding Dr. Reddy said:

"Mahatmaji said that the parliamentary spirit has come to stay in India. We might go further. We might say that democracy has also come to stay in this country. And that means that now every one of us has a responsibility as a voter, as a constituent element in the Government and I do hope that my young friends going out into the world will honour the obligation of a democratic vote fully and always.

I am glad that we met on an occasion when there has been a real transference of political power directly in the province and indirectly in the Centre from the British bureaucracy to Indians. I know our Ministers have been, generally speaking, conspicuous success. I have no hesitation in acclaiming the Ministry of Madras and my Hon friend Mr. C. Rajagopalacharlar has a set of people who would do credit to any Government in any part of the world. All are agreed that our Ministers, considering all the circumstances of the situation have been a splendid success.

REQUIREMENTS OF DEMOCRACY

when we should coolly and calmly when we should cooly and calmy reflect on what are the requirements of a democracy. It is much better that in this hour when nobody can point the finger of scorn or an accusation at our ministers we cooly reflected on what are the requirements of a democracy, so that we may safeguard ourselves against the pitfalls possible in the working of popular constitutions. Let us not be content with the idea that the ballot-box is the eleventh 'avatar' of Vishnu.

Aristotle pointed out how every form of government is subject to perversions special to it. Monarchy becomes tyranny; aristocracy becomes oligarchy; democracy becomes mobocracy. In Germany we have a type of democracy which is curious and peculiar. I hope that kind of democracy will not spread beyond the frontiers of Germany. There candidates are set up by the Government and people are only asked "Do you vote for this man or do you not?". There are no two candidates set up for the same seat; they are not asked to choose between two candidates and government sets up candidates and you have to say either 'Aye' or 'No.' And they are supposed to have also freedom to vote!

One of our Prime Ministers declared in connection with some criticisms levelled against one of his measures that, as he had a majority, he had every right to rule in any way he pleased till the next election.

"DIVINE RIGHT OF INQUIRY"

We have done away with the divine right of Kings but to-day we have got the divine right of majority. The great thing about England is this. It is not democracy that is responsible for the national and international success of Great Britain, but the spirit of constitutionalism. To illustrate, the Liberal Government under Asquith passed legislation curtailing the powers of the House of Lords. For the last 20 years since, the Conservative Party which opposed that legislation has been in continuous and overwhelming power in Parliament. Yet did they try to get that legislation repealed? No. When the dynastic question about the late King came up, what did Mr. Baldwin do? Did he say "I have a majority; I can do what I like"? On the contrary, he called in the leaders of the opposition, and it was the united policy of a united nation in which full consideration was given to the views and wishes of the minority that finally determined that very delicate question.

I asked a respected Congress friend of mine how he reconciled the demand for universal military training with his non-violence. He was a clever man. He said "As individuals we believe in non-violence, but not as Governments". Disarmament is a very good measure. But if one nation disarms while other nations are piling up their military establishments, what you court is disaster.

Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru has been advising us to think internationally. Thinking internationally implies that you should make a comparative study of the different States and societies and see how you should adjust yourselves in order to be able to play an important part in the current affairs. How to play that part? I do not know. Should we play that part by approaching the other nations as missionaries of a new type of life and society? What chance is there of our being heard? Should we not ourselves also, even if ultimately, though our intention may be to establish universal peace and a reign of perfect harmony amongst all humanity, arm ourselves as others have done, with their industrial and commercial enterprises and their armaments, and fight the battle with some chance of success.

Thinking internationally is a method of politics which I think is well worth following. Let me remind you that, however extreme doctrines stated in the abstract may be, in real life they either suggest compromises or become compromises themselves in operation. For instance, the very Congress which has organized the rural industries scheme—a very necessary one in our country—has also appointed a Committee with Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru as the Chairman, to devise economic planning for our country.

Pt. Nehru believes in the Russian model of planning, namely, large-scale industries, machine manufacture, large-scale distribution with equitable consumption, involving exploitation of Nature, industrial research and the industrialization of at least all the heavy and the basic industries of our country. So probably when you come to think of it, the two supplement each other and are not really contradictions. There is place in a country like ours both for the rural reconstruction scheme and the Russian type of planning, of which Pt. Nehru is the great exponent.

Dr Rabindranath Tagore said that though our civilization may be great it will crumble to pieces unless we created adequate power to maintain it. That is the reason why I have been imploring the Congress to enter the Federation, to accept it and guide the destinies of the country. I do not think, seeing that the Congress is in power in the vast majority of provinces in India, it would be possible for any Governor-General to ignore Congressmen in the Central Legislature.

I am perfectly certain that no ministry worth the name could be formed without a predominant representation or an adequate representation of Congressmen. I do not know why my Congress friends have not sufficient self-confidence in the matter. But I am confident that their influence will be far greater than what may be represented by their numbers, because they are power in the country, and a power in the provinces cannot be relegated to a position of impotence in the Central Government. It would be a day of pride, of glory and gratification to me if accomplished gentlemen of the type of Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar are enthroned in places from which they can shape the destinies, not of a single province, but the entire country.

There have been safeguards in the present constitution. They, however, come into operation when matters reach a crisis. The people and the members of the party must be vigilant. It means they must within limit of the law of moderation be free to criticise the doings of their leaders.

There must be moderation in the exercise of power. That is the spirit of constitutionalism which prevents perversions overtaking healthy constitutions.

SCOUTS SAVE SEVEN

But Five Find Watery Grave

LUCKNOW, Dec. 13.

Four women and one man were drowned in a river in the village of Chinhat about six miles from Lucknow, when a boat carrying twelve passengers capsized.

The remaining seven passengers were rescued by Mr. K. U. Dubey, Scoutmaster of the Hindustan Scout Association, who happened to be nearby with his party.—United Press.

SAFETY IN COAL-MINES

I. L. O. Conference Of Experts

NEW DELHI. (By Mail.)

The drawing up of a model safety code for coal-mines and the setting up of an International Mining Information Centre are two of the more important objectives of a conference of experts on safety in coal mines from seven of the leading coal-exporting countries Belgium, Czechoslovakia, France, Great Britain, the Netherlands, Poland and the U.S.A., convened recently by the I.L.O. at Geneva. The difficulty of framing international regulations for the coal industry arises chiefly from the widely varying conditions, natural and otherwise, under which coal-mining is carried on in various countries, and the work of the Conference was to lay down points on which it is possible to draw up satisfactory international regulations.—A. P.

POONA.—A flutter was created in the local Jain community yesterday afternoon when the progressive younger element in the community resorted to peaceful picketing against "Mosur Bhojan" (dinner given on the occasion of death), held on the death of a local Jain named Kisani Ramji. The picketing was carried on peacefully and non-violently and is claimed to be a success as hardly 50 persons are said to have attended the dinner.

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Reception To T. U. C. President

An appeal to all the workers of Bombay to unite and fight Capitalists and British Imperialism under the banner of the Congress Socialists Party, was made by Dr. Suresh Chandra Bannerjee, M.L.A., President of the All India Trade Union Congress, at a reception held in his honour at Jinnah Hall on Sunday night under the auspices of the Bombay Private Motor Drivers' Union, the Best Omnibus Drivers' Union, the Best Omnibus Conductors' Union, the Tramway Employees' Union, the K. E. M and G. S. Hospital Employees' Union.

Mr. M. R. Masani welcomed Dr. Bannerjee on behalf of the Union and acquainted him with the achivements of the Union.

Dr. Bannerjee, in a stirring address, made some suggestions regarding the Union and explained what their duties and responsibilities were. He called upon them to join the Congress and make it a Workers' and Peasants' Organization. Warned them against reactionary leadership and asked them to fight under the Banner of the Congress Socialist Party. He concluded by asking them to from a Volunteer Corps which would have a great demonstrative value.

M. D. Bhat To Take Charge To-day

KARACHI. Dec. 12.

Mr. M. D. Bhat, Secretary, Home Department, Government of Sind, will hand over charge to Mr I. H. Taunton on Monday and wil leave the same day for Bombay.

He is due to take over the charge as Municipal Commissioner, Bombay, on December 14.—A.P.

LONDON—Deaths have occurred of Brigadier-General Henry Huntly Leith Malcolm and Mr. Malcolm Edward Couchman. —Reuter.

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FEVER NEARLY RUINS BUSINESS

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OUR EUROPEAN LETTER

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reement, initiated an active policy towards such a settlement of Ruthenia, involving the absorption of it greatly by Hungary. The Polish move in the direction itself was the outcome of a concern, a concern that has now gained an intensification. Poland has come to feel strongly that the existence of an autonomous Ruthenia, or as the German press with deliberate care refer to it now-a-days, Carpath-Ukraine, would have strong repercussions on her Ukranian minority numbering round seven millions, and forming the biggest minority group in Europe, and one subjected to a rigid centralised regime, especially with Germany advancing to take a closer interest in the Ukranian issue. It is of course known that the German attitude has played a very determining part in preventing now and in association with the Vienna Conference the aim of establishing a common Polish-Hungarian frontier. Indications have also not been wanting of an extension of German attention to Ruthenia. A German aim linked with the Ukraine, the setting up of an Ukranian State, with German support and hold, though having its mark against Russia, Warsaw apprehends, might come to affect closely and immediately Poland. The strengthening of German efforts in directions, with Munich bringing no policy of rest or halting in Berlin, as piously hoped by groups in some centres, has added to this apprehension. All these have led Poland to move towards an improvement in understanding with Russia. Though the development is now not subjected to any violent criticism from German side, yet an attitude of dissatisfaction is evident from the comments of some important German papers. There is of course the possibility of Germany tending to employ the Ruthenian issue to strike adjustments with Poland and Hungary, in association with which there are references to gaining of complete hold by Germany over Danzig, certain settlement over the Polish Corridor and communication concessions in Hungary. The new Polish-Russian rapprochement, anyway, supported by calculations given much weight in Warsaw and Moscow, project two courses, the first or one involving German-Polish relations coming up soon for a fresh and what well may be a very hard test and the other involving Germany tending to switch her easterly drive to a more south-easterly direction, though necessarily without care to seeking advantage in this for pushing aims in other directions. The latter, to which some important circles tend to give weight and realism, is suited to effect in a close way Britain, especially in the light of British Middle Eastern interests and others along the course. Viewed from a wider angle, the Polish-Russian rapprochement is symptomatic of strong currents at play suggesting an even greater or increased urge towards new changes.

Nazi Attacks On Britain

The German press continues a sharp attack on Britain. An indignation on the side of Berlin over certain critical remarks of some British politicians, intensified by an irritation felt about condemnatory reflections about the new severe anti-Jewish campaign that opened in Germany, the attempt on the life of the German diplomat Herr von Rath in Paris serving as a signal to it, finds expression in articles and accounts in the German press intended to serve as exposure of British colonial methods. There have been some parades of such accounts dealing with India and Palestine, mainly with the latter. It is interesting that descriptions of the nature are employed only in association with prevailing attitude of the time or in connection with a particular policy. This is also reflected in the fact that the German press has now no adverse comments or accounts of Japan in relation to the latter's China campaign. Be this as it may, there is no doubt of the German press attack causing an embarrassment to Britain and also of a present German position in the wake of Munich letting Germany feel that she could adopt greater elasticity in extending retorts to Berlin. Particularly about Palestine, as already mentioned, there have been appearing reports in the German press sharply hostile to Britain. Thus for instance a lengthy report in a very recent issue of the leading German daily "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" gives a harrowing account of British measures and moves in Palestine. The report states, often giving various details, of horrible "investigations", of civilian population being terribly overpowered by the military, of beatings and tortures in concentration camps, of grave ill-treatments and miscarriages of power, and of murders of prisoners. Observations relating to these, declares the special correspondent of the paper in Jerusalem, are not based on "here say but descriptions of eye witnesses or of those immediately affected. The account refers to Arabs keeping up a strong campaign, though a press censorship is seen to make it appear otherwise. The German attitude behind this vigorous press campaign against Britain indicates the intention of adding to a pressure on Britain and carries traces of a latent conflict of interests, a German policy in regard to South-eastern Europe extending its impress to the Middle East. Meanwhile estimates in various important European papers indicate the tendency in Britain to uphold greatly a line in regard to Palestine determined largely by considerations of imperial interests and particularly communications. This of course, motives apart, lends a scope for Germany for sharp reflections, even as such a scope was taken up till recently more actively by Italy. The cause of democracy is weakened by the biggest imperialist Power being associated with it and a new technique of propaganda developed by fascist states or neo-imperialism. Democratic imperialism in the period before will be called more closely to choices. As far as Britain is concerned, there will advance as alternatives, the course of moving further to try a settlement with fascism or the line of taking up a vigorous and forward policy to the accompaniment of understanding, involving adoption of necessary steps, with certain big and important colonial units, with India occupying a leading position in connection. Alone the path of increasing armaments is not likely to assert on behalf of a security on a prevailing system, owing to the concentration on armament expansion by others as well, the aims of the latter tending to proceed beyond convenient limits and an extension of pressure from more sides or fronts than one in a background of uncertainty connected with some of the important colonial regions. It is a situation that calls for closer attention as well from India to international currents.

LABOUR LEADERS AT WARDHA

Objections To Bombay Labour Bill To Be Placed Before Working Committee:

WARDHAGANJ, Dec.13.

Mahatma Gandhi arrived exactly at 8 this morning to participate in the deliberations of the Congress Working Committee which resumes consideration of the major questions of policy from to-day.

Gandhiji was accompanied by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Mr. Brijlal Biyani, member of the Council of State, Mr. Aney and Mr. Peyarelal.

Dr. Suresh Chandra Bannerjee, President of the All India Trade Union Congress, Mr. Bharadwaj from Cawnpore and a few labour workers from Bombay arrived here to place the labour viewpoint against the Industrial Disputes Bill before the Congress leaders. They met Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, Congress President.

The "United Press" understands that the resolution passed recently at the Delhi meeting of the Council of the All India Muslim League, especially the criticism of Mahatma Gandhiji's statement on States' subjects' struggles and the decision to counteract the Congress mass contact programme through Maulanas and Maulvis would be reviewed by the Congress High Command. Maulana Abul Kalam Azad had already had correspondence with the nationalist and progressive Muslim Leaguers in this connection.

The Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, has invited Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru as the Chairman of the National Planning Committee to a tea Party at Bombay during the forthcoming meeting of the Committee.

The correspondence between the Congress Finance Ministers, like the Hon'ble Mr. A. B. Lathe of Bombay and Pandit Govind Ballabh Pant, of the United Provinces and the Finance Member of the Central Government on the ratio question will be discussed to-day by the Congress Working Committee.

An unconfirmed report received here indicates that at a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Reserve Bank at Calcutta a resolution urging the Central Government for revision of the exchange rate was adopted.

The Working Commitee will issue instruction to the Congress Government regarding the future line of action.

It appears the question of reduction of stamp duty will also be considered.

It may be recalled the Stamp Duty Bill was introduced in the last session of the Central Legislative Assembly but since it included reimposition of duty on cheques, the Congress Party was instructed to oppose the Bill, though originally the Bill had been introduced at the request of the Provincial Governments. The commercial interests want the stamp duty to be reduced.

It is not likely that the Working Committee will publish their decisions on the ratio or the Stamp Duty Bill.—United Press.

MAHATMA URGES INTERNAL REFORM IN CONGRESS

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now be further reiterated by to-day's resolution.

LEAGUE'S ALLEGATIONS

Once these two important questions have been disposed of, the Committee will take up consideration of certain complaints and allegations made by the Muslim League against the Congress Ministries and also what further steps the Congress should adopt towards the question of Hindu-Muslim unity. Failure to bring about a rapprochement between the Congress and the Muslim League, it is authoritatively pointed out, does not end the work of the Congress which, it is argued, has to continue its effort for Hindu-Muslim unity until it is achieved. This afternoon the committee will consider what further steps will achieve the object of Hindu-Muslim unity and how best and how soon, it can be achieved.

Mahatma Gandhi will be present at to-day's meeting till half past four in the afternoon, and is expected to attend to-morrow's meeting also.—A. P.

RESTORATION OF CONFIDENCE ON CALCUTTA EXCHAGE

Calcutta, Dec 9

Messrs. Bhagwanlal Nanavati and Co. in their weekly report state:

The period under review has witnessed no clearing up of the international uncertainty and consequently no restoration of business confidence. The internal political tension in France has been eased for the time being, the future is still more obscure. The respective facts between France on the one hand and Germany on the other and Britain and Italy have made satisfactory progress the discordant notes from individual persons holding responsible offices have brought a restricted and consequent marking down of prices in overseas markets. With all the good will on the part of statesmen at the helm of affairs, economic and political factors have not yet stabilised. Hence the chief obstacle in the economic recovery is yet to be overcome. The improvement is certain in economic sphere but it will yet take some weeks for the clarification of the European international situation. We are optimistic and hope the clouds will be dispersed soon.

JUTE

The turnover has been extremely small. Orders for Jute and Jute manufactures have not been much in evidence owing to uncertain political outlook. The stock figure of manufactured goods at the end of November show a little reduction of about 2 crores of yards. The mill strikes have helped to make the statistical position more favourable. The period under review has seen further steps towards the final negotiation of a voluntary working agreement. Though the hopes have seen dashed many times we believe that there are substantial ground this time for saying that an agreement is now really in their sight. So far as the actual trading is concerned the speculative counter Howrah registered a fluctuation of about a rupee or so, 51/8 being the high level during the week the closing price being 50/14. Kamarhatty were priced at 468. Kanknarrah 342, Anglo-India 304, Barnagore hovered round 130, Bally 164, Fort William were done at 211. In Bird group Auckland changed hand at 164, Dalhousie at 302, Standard at 242/8, Kinnison at 535. In Yule group Albion were marked at 185, Cheviot at 153, Orient at 155. India were done at 272. Among shares of small denominations, Adamjee ord. were priced at 9/4 to 9/8, Hukumchand at 5/8 to 5/10, Presidency at 3/2, Reliance at 57, National at 20/4, Clive at 22/2, Nuddia at 38.

Cotton: A notable feature during the week was a gradual rise in the price of New Victoria Pref. which hardened to 4/8 from 4/2. The arrear dividends will be paid and hence it is good to buy 6 per cent Pref. at the Current price. Bengal Nagpur Cotton were done at 10/8, Dunbar Cotton changed hands at 162, Elgin Mills ord. were easy at 115.

Coal: A slightly better feeling was in evidence in this section at the close of the period under review as the market anticipates a dividend of about Rs. 12/8 on Bengal Coal Equitable were steady at 35. Bengal were marked at 341. West Jamuria hovered round 33. Burrakur found sellers at 13/14, Dhemo Main were done at 12/12, Raneegunj remained unchanged at 33/12, New Beerbhoom at 17/14, Hurriladih priced at 15/2, Mundulpore were quoted at 9/8, a deal in Rewa Coalfields was recorded at 21/8. East Indian at 24/12, Amalgamated marked at 24/12, Union 25/8, Seebpore at 20/12 Prem Bhalgorah were weak at 4/2, Searsole at 4/13, South Karanpura at 4/14.

MISCELLANEOUS

In the Engineering group Indian Iron and Steel fluctuated both ways in sympathy with Tata deferreds. The shares recorded a fall of about Rs. 1/8 during the period under review, 31/14, 30/8 being the high and low levels. The close was particularly weak. Steel Corp of Bengal ord remained steady on balance 9/4 being the closing price. Burn and Co. ord changed hand at 270, Indian Standard Wagon were easy at 52. Marshalls were firm at 2. Indian Galvanizing moved in the region of Rs 20. Hukumchand Steel ord. were taken at 7/14. In mining issues, Burma Corporation were easy at Rs. 6. Consolidated Tin at 6/9, Indian Copper at 2/4, Tavoy Tin were good at 1/8. In sugar section Raza and Buland were priced around 14/4. Murray Brewery were good at 12/8. Carew and Co old were marked at 11/12 ex div. Dalmia Cement ord found sellers at 9/12, Deferred were in request at 2/14, Preference were marked at 98. B. I. C. ord. remained unchanged at 3/3, Indian Wood Products were marked at 24/12, Midnapore Zemindary were good at 75, Indian National Airways Prefd ord were marked at 10/14 ex div. Dunlop Rubber ord were priced at 16/2, Bararee Coke at 18/8. B. B. Petrol done at 3/9, Bengal Paper ord done at 49. I. G. Navigation were marked at 98. Reserve Bank done around 114/8.

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Total stocks inside the regulater area thus amount to 54,720 tons at end October compared with 53,815 tons at end September.

Stocks outside the regulated area, that is dealers' stocks in Singapore and Penang and stocks awaiting shipment in these ports, have already been returned as 34,910 tons at end October against 35,395 tons at end September. Total stocks in Malaya at end October therefore amount to 89,630 tons against 89,213 tons at end September, thus showing practically no change on the month.

CONSUMPTION OF INDIAN COTTON

The Indian Central Cotton Committee has issued the following statement of Indian cotton (pressed and unpressed) consumed in mills in India:—

(Based on returns made under the Indian Cotton Cess Act, 1923, by mills in British India and on voluntary returns from mills in Indian States).

(In bales of 400 lbs. net).

CONSUMPTION

British India during October 1938 203,472; during October 1937 206,965; since 1st September 1938 426,120; during corresponding period last year 399,317.

Indian States during October 1938 42,476; during October 1937 45,777; since 1st September 1938 89,512; during corresponding period last year 88,170.

Total—India during October 1938 250,948; during October 1937 252,742; since 1st September 1938 515,632; during corresponding period last year 487,487.

Due to corrections which have sometimes to be made in the figures previously published, the progressive totals shown in these statistics do not necessarily represent the sum of the latest month's figures and the progressive totals published in the preceding month.

AMERICAN MOTOR TRADE IMPROVES

Rubber Demand Likely To Increase

London, Nov. 30.

Messrs. Symington and Wilson state: Since our last Report there has only been a very modest business passing in the Rubber Market and fluctuations have been almost negligible. On Thursday the Market was steady but idle. On Friday with a little more enquiry, including some Continental orders, there was some slight activity in the Market and prices tended to harden. On Saturday conditions were again extremely idle and business was marked in only one position, namely April/June, which was done at 8 1/8d., being the same price as that current at Friday's close. On Monday and Tuesday the Market was again inactive but prices kept steady and showed practically no change on the two days. The opening this morning was steady with prices unchanged from those ruling yesterday. For the moment there seems to be little inducement to trade.

The price of Standard Sheet on the Spot during the period under review has varied between 8 1/18d. done on Friday and 7 7/8d. at which business was put through at the opening on Monday. After a severe fall in New York on Saturday, Monday's opening was the lowest point during the period but prices very soon recovered to 7 15/16d. buyers At the time of writing the buyers' price of Standard Sheet on the Spot is 7 15/16d. per lb. and on the week prices show a decline of 1/16d. per lb.

The movements of the Stock Market on Wall Street, forming as they do a fairly good guile to American business prospects, have again become of importance to the Rubber Market. Wall Street may generally be taken as a reasonably reliable index to earnings and spending power in the U.S.A. and it is to the power and will of the American public to increase their purchases of cars and tyres that the Rubber Market must look for its salvation from the Regulation Committee's premature release of extra Rubber.

AMERICAN MOTOR TRADE

Reports of conditions in the motor trade in the U.S.A. continue to be outimistic and estimates for November output are now running as high as 375,000 units, which is nearly 80 per cent. over the output for October which was returned as 209,522 units. If the November estimate is realised it will be 15,000 units higher than the output for November 1937. This will be the first time this year that any month's output has exceeded that of the corresponding month for last year. Total output for the first ten months of 1938 is put at only 1,728,851 units against 4,122,685 for the same period in 1937.

In the Wall Street news in The Financial Times to-day we see that "The Ford Motor Company is increasing production to meet the surprisingly large sales and other motor-car manufacturers have reported that demand is exceeding the most optimistic expectations."

AMERICAN TYRE TRADE

The figures regarding tyres are available up to the end of October. The production of outer covers for the first ten months of the year amounted to only 32,067,000 units against 49,206,000 units for the same period last year, while stocks in the hands of manufacturers at the end of October 1938 were 7,518,000 units compared with 11,644,000 units at the same time in 1937. There would seem to be ample scope for a big pick-up in tyre production and sales which of course means increased consumption of Raw Rubber.

MALAYAN STOCKS.

Particulars of up-country stocks in Malaya at the end of October were published on Saturday. Stocks on Estates over 100 acres are returned as 38,898 tons (end September 38,845 tons) while stocks in the hands of dealers are returned as 15,822 tons (14,970 tons).

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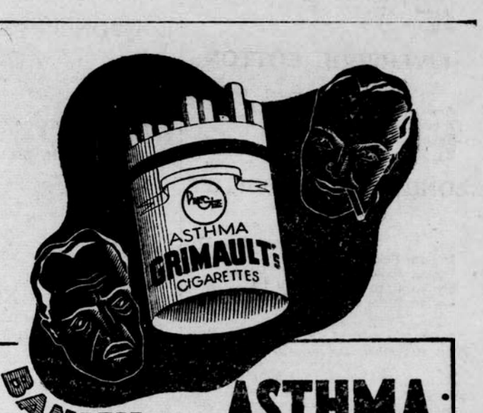

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FAIR ADVANCES IN OILS AND INDUSTRIALS

BOMBAY, December 13.

NEW YORK COTTON

The sentiment in New York Cotton was more or less divided. Prices registered a fall under the influence of scattered liquidation and lower Liverpool cables.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGES.

Prices were generally quieter after being firm and fairly active. Kaffirs Internationals and Oils were steady to firm.

EXCHANGES.

The Cross Rate after easing to 4.65.90 improved to 4.66.62 though opening was 4.66.41.

Francs eased on selling pressure.

WHEAT

Liverpool market declined on heavy offers.

Chicago was quietly steady.

Movements were confined to narrow margin in the local market.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

MARCH 1939

	New York, Dec 13
Previous closing	8.21
To-day's opening	8.20
Difference	—01
To-day's closing	8.13
Difference	—08

LIVERPOOL COTTON

MARCH 1939

	Liverpool, Dec 13
Previous closing	4.76
To-day's opening	4.72
Difference	—04
To-day's closing	4.69
Difference	—07

BROACH EXPECTATION

April May 1938 ..... Rs. 157-0
July August ..... Rs. 158-4

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, Dec 13

The New York cotton continued quietly steady owing to lack of fresh stimulus with the sentiment more or less divided. However, on balance prices showed a fall on scattered liquidation and lower Liverpool cables.

The trading in March commenced at 8.20 i.e. one point lower than the last closing. Prices fell under lower Liverpool cables and outside selling with March later easing on further pressure to 8.18.

BOMBAY COTTON Late Trading

Bombay, Dec 13

In the local cotton market, Broach April/May delivery opened at Rs. 158 but declined to Rs. 157-5 in sympathy with weak New York advices. The market closed with Broach quoting nally at Rs. 157-6.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Dec 13

The following were the opening ranges:—

January (8.34/8.34) 8.24/8.24
March (8.27/8.27) 8.20/8.20
May (8.08/8.08) 7.93/7.97

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Dec 13

American January (4.71) 4.74
American March (4.70) 4.72
Egyptian January (7.27) 7.30
Egyptian March (7.22) 7.25

LONDON COMMODITIES

TEAS

London, Dec 13

Indian Pekoe (0-11) 0-11
Indian Pekoe higher (1-2 3/4) 1-3
Ceylon Pekoe (1-0 1/4) 1-0 1/4
Ceylon Pekoe higher (1-7 3/4) 1-7 3/4

JUTE

First Marks C. I. F. Continent New Crop December January (£18 15/16 sellers) £18 15/16 sellers

Dundee December (£22 sellers) £22 sellers.

Lightning December (£20 3/4 sellers) £20 3/4 sellers

RUBBER

Spot (8 1/16 paid and buyers) 8 paid and buyers

Forward February (8 1/8 paid and value) 8 1/16 paid and value

SEEDS

Castorseed Bombay December January (£11 sellers) £11 sellers

Linseed La Plata December (£12 1/2 sellers) £12 5/8 sellers

Linseed La Plata December (£11 sellers) £10 15/16 sellers

Groundnuts Coromandal January (£10 1/4 paid) £10 1/4 sellers

METALS

Tin (£213 7/8 buyers £214 1/8 sellers. Quiet) £214 1/4 buyers £214 3/8 sellers. Quiet.

Lead (£14 7/8 buyers £15 sellers. Very steady) £14 11/16 buyers £14 3/4 sellers. Barely steady.

Electrolytic Copper (£48 3/4 to £49 1/2) £48 1/2 to £49 1/2

Iron (112) 112

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Closing Quotations

Liverpool, Dec 13

The closing quotation for December is 56 1/2d. The previous close was 58 ¼d.

EXCHANGES

CROSS RATES

T. T NEW YORK ON LONDON

	New York, Dec 13
Previous closing	4.66 13/16
To-day's opening	4.66 7/16
At the time of New York cotton closing	4.66 3/8

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

	London, Dec 13
Previous closing	4.66.18
To-day's opening	4.66.41 (mutilated)
To-day's closing	4.66.56

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS

	London, Dec 13
Previous closing	177.65
To-day's opening	177.65 (mutilated)
To-day's closing	177.76

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Dec 13

London Exchanges opened with the sterling dollar at 4.66.41 and then eased to 4.65.90 on lack of support, but subsequently rose on improved demand to 4.66.62.

Franc opened at 177.65 and then eased to 177.61 on scattered selling.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 29/32) 1-5 29/32
Paris on Bombay (13.243) 13.257
New York on Bombay (34.92) 34.80
Berlin on Bombay (86 7/8) 86 7/8
London on Milan (88.80) 88.60
London on Shanghai (0-8 1/8 nominal) 0-8 1/8 nominal
London on Kobe (1-2) 1-2

BULLION

Influx (nil) nil
Withdrawal (nil) nil
Gold (£7-8-10 1/2) £7-9-1 1/2
Silver (20 1/8d.) 20 3/16d.

DISCOUNTS

3 months (15/16 to 1 per cent) 1 to 1 per cent
4 months (1 to 1 per cent) 15/16 to 15/16 per cent
6 months (1 to 1 per cent) 15/16 to 15/16 per cent

LONDON SILVER CABLE

Bombay, Dec 13

The following cable regarding silver market was received in Bombay tonight:—

"Speculators bought and India sold. Buyers satisfied. Market steady."

LONDON SILVER

London, Dec 13

Spot (20 1/8d) 20 3/16d+1/16
Forward (19 7/16d) 19 1/2d+1/16

LONDON GOLD

London, Dec 13

Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£7-8-10 1/2) £7-9-1 1/2

BOMBAY BULLION

Latest Quotations

Bombay, Dec 13

SILVER

Silver ready	50 15 0
Silver Posh	50 14 0
Silver Mah	50 12 0

GOLD

Gold ready	37 6 0
Gold Posh	37 6 3
Gold Mah	37 6 6
Sovereign	23 13 6

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotations

Bombay, Dec 13

Wheat January	4 5 6
Wheat May	3 6 6
Linseed May	5 1 6

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Liverpool, Dec 13

Liverpool wheat opened easy with March at 56 1/2d. The market worked lower following disappointing overseas cables, and the decline was accentuated by heavy offers, subsequent operations being colourless.

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, Dec 13

Chicago wheat opened steady with December at 0.63 3/4. In the absence of any fresh developments, the market was quietly steady with very little business.

3½% GOVT. PAPER

Closing Quotations

Bombay, Dec 13

3 1/2 per cent. Government Paper quotation for current settlement is Rs. 98/8 at 5 p.m.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, Dec 23

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at £89 3/4

Closing quotations on the previous days were:—

Friday, December 2, £90 1/4
Monday, December 5, £90
Tuesday, December 6, £89 3/4
Wednesday, December 7 £90
Thursday, December 8, £89 3/4
Friday, December 9, £89 1/2
Monday, December 12, £89 3/8

INDIAN LOANS

London, Dec 13

3-30 p.m.

3 per cent Indian (£98 1/4) £98 1/2
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£89 1/2) £89 3/4
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£111 1/2) £111 1/2
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68 (£115) £115 1/4
4 per cent Indian Stock 1948-53 (£105 1/2) £105 1/2
3 per cent Indian 1942-47 (£107 1/2) £107 1/2
3 1/2 per cent New Indian 1945/59 (£101 3/4) £101 1/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent Australian Loan 1945/70 (£102 5/8) £102 5/8

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£69 7/8) £70 1/4
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£98 3/8) £98 1/2
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£102 5/8) £102 5/8
5 per cent Funding Loan (£107 7/8) £108
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£98 1/8) £98 1/8
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£107 1/8) £107 1/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Dec 13

The London Stock Exchange, displayed some activity after a bad start.

Giltedged securities also attracted interest. Three and half per cent was quoted at £89 3/4 i.e 7 1/2 shillings higher than the last closing.

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (16-3) 16-3
Motors and Spencer Ordinary (55-7 1/2) 55-7 1/2
Hydro Electric (dol 4 1/2) dol 4 1/2
Elec Music industry (11-0) 11-0
Princhin Johnson (24-1 1/2) 24-1 1/2
Imperial Chemical (29-7 1/2) 30-6
Woolsworth New Ordinary (56-1 1/4) 57-4 1/2
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1930 (£20) £19 1/2
Dunlop Rubber (23-0) 23-4 1/2
Unilevel Ordinary (36-7 1/2) 36-7 1/2
Ford Motors (17) 17
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£33) £35 1/2
British American Tobacco Ordinary (99-4 1/2) 98-9
Carreas A (£8 3/8) £8 3/8
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (129-4 1/2) 131-3
P and O S N. Company Deferred (29-9) 20-9
Distillers (89) 89
Bredford Dyes (3-1 1/2) 3-1 1/2
British Celanese (3-6) 3-6
J and P Coates Ordinary (35-1 1/2) 35-1 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary (27-9) 28-4 1/2
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-6) 2-6
Vickers Limited Ordinary (22-1 1/2) 22-6
Inter Nickels (dol 57 1/8) dol 57 1/8
Indian Iron and Steel Ordinary (45) 43-9

TEA SHARES

Assam Company (16-6) 16-6
Donaro Tea (36-10 1/2) 36-10 1/2
Empire of India (23-9) 23-9

JUTE SHARES

Barnagore (£9) £9

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (25-7 1/2) 25-7 1/2
Gula Kelampong (20-7 1/2) 20-7 1/2
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (27-6) 27-6

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (40-0) 40-0
Burma Corporation (8-9) 8-9
Rio Tintos (£13 5/8) £13 5/8
East Rand Proprietors (53-9) 53-9
Rand Mines (£8 3/8) £8 3/8

MINE SHARES

Crown Mines (£15 3/8) £15 5/8
Associated Portland Cement (68-1 1/2) 68-1 1/2
Trinidad Leaseholes (87-6) 88-9
Sub Nigel (£11 3/8) £11 5/8
Spring Mines Split Shares (30-7 1/2) 31-3
Union Corporation (£8) £8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (20-7 1/2) 20-7 1/2
Anglo Iranian (98-1 1/2) 99-7 1/2
Burma Oil (81-10) 83-9
Mexican Eagle (5) 5-3
Shell Transport (79-4 1/2) 80-7 1/2
Royal Dutch (£38) £36

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£27 1/2) £23
London Midland and Ordinary (£12 1/8) £12 3/8
London North Eastern Def. (£2 1/4) £2 1/4
Southern Def (£12 3/4) £12 3/4
London Transport 5 per cent (£118) £118
London Transport 'C' (£75) £75

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, Dec 13

General Motors (dol 48 1/8) dol 48 7/8
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 33 1/2) dol 34
U S Common New Stock (dol 62 3/4) dol 63 3/4
U S Steel Preference (unquoted) unquoted

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Prices Advance On Optimistic Trade Outlook

(SPECIAL CABLE)

LONDON, Dec 13

On the Stock Exchange prices in all sections advanced in response to the chancellor of Exchequer's optimistic references overnight to trade outlook. Industrials were prominent, Oils and Golammings also showing fair advances.

Among commodities wheat was easy in the complete absence of demand for actual together with the reports of further large quantities of United States subsidised wheat having been placed with the United Kingdom millers.

Wall Street opened steady.

KARACHI PRODUCE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

Karachi, Dec 13

Sind Cotton January	16	6	6
March	15	9	3
Punjab January	13	1	3
March	13	2	0
Desi American January	16	2	0
March	18	2	0
Tone: Steady			
Wheat December	23	0	6
January	23	0	0
March	23	3	0
July	24	7	6
Grain December	26	13	0
January	26	7	6
July	24	14	6
Toria December	35	4	0
February	34	10	0
March	35	5	6
Cottonseed January	19	6	0
March	19	7	3

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Speculatives Closed Steady

CALCUTTA, Dec 13

Jutes opened steady but eased off slightly as the day progressed, the volume of business was as usual on a limited scale. Coals revealed no fresh feature. In Teas only a limited trading took place. In the miscellaneous section, Indian Iron and other speculative issues opened quiet but closed steady, other industrials remained more less unaltered. Government securities kept steady.

Government securities three centum new loan 1963/65 98/8 small lot; three and half centum G P 98/5; four half centum loan 1953/60 119/2; five centum loan 105/8; five centum loan 1945/55 116/1; three centum up loan 1961/66 97/8.

Reserve Bank 115.

Railways: Dehra Rohtas Rly 15/12 ct; Shahdara (Delhi) Saharanpur 151.

Cottons: Cawnpore Textiles four; Muir Mills pref rupees fifty paid up 68.

Coals: Aldih 4/14; Burrakur 13/12; Kalapahari 14/12; North Damuda 4/14; Raneegunge 33/11 c div.

Jutes: Auckland 160; Bally 151; Dalhousie 223 ct; ex div; Howrah 50/2; Kamarhatty 464; Kinnison pref 157 ex div; National 20/1; Nuddea 38.

Miscellaneous: Burma Corpn 5/13; Indian Copper 2/2; Rhodesia Copper 1/8; Tavoy Tin 1/9; Dalmia Cement ord 5/12; do pref 99/8; do defd 2/15; Bengal Telephone pref 13/14; Arthur Butler ord 9 ct; Hukumchand Steel defd 1/14; Indian St Wagon Pref 127 small lots; Indian Iron 29/10; Marshalls 1/13; Steel Corpn Ord 9/5; do pref 93; ex div; B I Corpn ord 3/2; do pref 156 ct; Great Eastern Hotel 220 ct; Rohtas Industries ord 25/12; Do pref 132 ct; British Burma Petrol 3/9; Star Paper 7/8 small lot; Shree Gopal Paper 7; Titaghur Paper prefd ord 4/2; do A ord 14/11; do B ord 14/10; Assam Saws annas 15; Buland 14/6; Carew and Co (Nes) 11/8; Option; Muree Brewery 11/8.

Teas: Arcuttipore 11/4; Bateli 3/8; North Western Cachar 193; Sarugaon 8/8.

Debentures: Three and quarter centum 1966/76; Rangoon Municipal 100/10; five and quarter centum 1938/50; Kostas Industries 101/8; five centum Orient Paper 99/8; five centum Sutlej Cotton 99/8; Four and quarter centum 1936/41/46 Titaghur Paper 103 ct.—A. P.

Released After 16 Years In Jail

JULLUNDUR, Dec. 13.

After about 16 years of penal servitude, Bhai Hazara Singh of Mandaran in Hoshiarpur district, who was convicted and awarded life sentence in the 1922-23 Babar Akali Conspiracy case, has been released from the district jail at Mianwali.

Two other Babar Akalis, Bachint Singh of Domudha and Mansa Singh of Parasrampur, are serving their term in the jail.—United Press.

Found Hanging

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Raghunath Singh Sen Saran Singh (35), was found hanging by the beam in a room at Tambe Chawl, Kalachowkie to-day. The body was taken charge of by the police and sent to the morgue.

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Mahadeo Ganpat, one of the victims of the alleged assault at Ramwadi, when a man ran amuck and assaulted pedestrians, died this morning at the G. T. Hospital.

A big rural political conference will be held at Bains Kalan, in Harina Thana in Hoshiarpur district, in the last week of January next. Khan Abdul Qualyum Khan, M.L.A. (Central) will preside.

The Kartarpur Congress Committee has convened a rural political conference at Kartarpur on December 24 and 25 next.—Nawabzada Mahmud Ali will preside. —United Press.

STERLING SHARE QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Dec 12

Messrs. Forbes and Lund have received the following quotations from their Agents in London to-day:—

Names of Company	Latest prices £ s. d.
Assam Bengal Railway Ord Stock	79 5 0
Atlas Elect and Genl Trust Ord	0 2 6
Bank of London and S. America	4 15 0
British South Africa Co Ord	1 8 9
B B. and C. I. Railway Ord Stock	110 0 0
Borneo Ltd 7 1/2 per cent Pref	0 15 6
Cables and Wireless (Holding) Ord Stk	37 10 0
Cawnpore Electric Sup Ord	1 16 6
Lansil Ltd Ord	0 9 3
Crosse and Blackwell New Ord	0 0 9
Foreign Railway Inv Trust 5 per cent Prf Stk	10 10 0
Genl and Coml Invest Trust Defd Stk	76 10 0
Eastern Bank Ltd	6 11 9
Hyderabad Deccan Co Ord	1 5 0
J. Lyons and Co 'A' Ord	5 5 0
C. and E. Morton 7 per cent Pref.	0 4 6
United Serdang Rub Plantn Ordinary	0 3 3
Salt (Saltaires) Ord	0 4 0
United Premier Oil and Cake Ordinary	0 7 3

TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS

Tenders for Rs. One Crore fifty lacs of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday, the 13th December 1938. Total amount offered was Rs. 1,55,25,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-7-9 and above were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-7-6 allotted approximately 96 per cent. Total amount accepted was Rs. 1,50,00,000, the average rate of accepted tenders being Rs. 2-1-6 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. One Crore of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 20th December 1938. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday, the 23rd December 1938. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 9th December, 1938, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 1,53,75,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

Three months' intermediates will be sold from 14th December to 19th December 1938 at Rs. 99-7-9 subject to the conditions previously announced (viz. sales can be stopped at any time without previous notice if Government think it necessary).

Three months intermediate sold from 7th December to 12th December 1938 amounted to Rs. 18,25,000.

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS

Bombay, Dec 13

Yarn No. 6 1/2s December 96 February 96 April 97
Yarn No. 10 1/2s December 106 February 107 April 107
Yarn No. 20 1/2s December 146 February 146 April 146
Yarn No. 40s December 224 February 224 April 225

Produce Receipts

Bombay, Dec 13

Wheat	2,784 cwts
Linseed	411 cwts
Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds	18 cwts
Gingellyseed	365 cwts
Groundnuts	43,204 cwts
Castorseed	586 cwts
Rice	2,779 cwts
Myrabollams	2,737 cwts
Cottonseed	6,821 cwts
Mowraseed	77 cwts
Gram	989 cwts
Joowar	1,681 cwts
Barley	14 cwts
Bajree	2,449 cwts
Indian sugar	2,740 cwts

LONDON SEEDS.

London, Dec. 12.

Linseed La Plata Hull c.i.f. ton Dec sellers 11/0/0
Linseed Calcutta London c.i.f. ton Dec. paid sellers 12/10/0
Linseed Bombay London c.i.f. ton Dec sellers 12/15/0
Rapeseed Toria Hull/Cont c.i.f. ton Dec-Jan. sellers 11/10/0
Castorseed Bombay Hull c.i.f. ton Dec-Jan. sellers 11/0/0

LINSEED OIL

London, Dec. 12.

Linseed Oil London per cwt naked Dec paid sellers 22/10 1/2
Linseed Oil London per cwt. naked Jan/Apr. paid sellers 22/9

LONDON RUBBER

London, Dec. 12.

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb. sellers 8 1/8

NEW YORK COFFEE

New York, Dec. 12.

Fair Rio Coffee No 7 quality 5 1/2

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, Dec. 12.

T. S. London on:—

New York	4.66.18
Paris	177.65
Berlin	11.63 1/2
Madrid	100.00
Montreal	4.70 3/8
Amsterdam	8.57 1/2
Brussels	27.60 1/2
Milan	88.62
Berne	20.60 1/2

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Dec. 12.

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent £72 1/2
Indian Stock 3 per cent 1948 ... £75 3/8
Indian Stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later £89 3/8
Indian Stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55 ..... £111 1/2
Consols 2 1/2 per cent £69 7/8
Conversion Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961 ..... £98 3/8
War Loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952 £98 1/8
Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90 ..... £108
Victory Bonds £107 1/8
Chartered Bank of I.A. and China £9 1/4
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Reg. £81
National Bank of India £33 3/8
P and O Banking Corporation £10

LONDON SPELTER

London, Dec. 12.

Spelter hard (Indian brand) F.O.B. ..... 12 to 14 1/2

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Bombay, Dec 13

Volkart Bros ss Marken of 3353 reg tons, Captain T Roas arrived from Rotterdam via Colombo with general cargo.

SAILED

K Nixon ss City of Christiania of 3031 reg tons, Captain A S Ferguson sailed for Karachi with same bottom cargo.

Burmah Shell Oil S and D ss Badarpur of 4949 reg tons, Captain G Booth sailed for Rangoon with local cargo.

Burmah Shell Oil S and D ss Fackefjell of 4603 reg tons, Captain H Isaksen sailed for Abadan in water ballast.

LOADING

The following vessels booked for loading on 13-12-38.

S S Marken (Vol Bros) for Bahrein and Basrah.

STEAMERS IN DOCKS

ALEXANDRA DOCK

Bombay, Dec 13

1 City of Christiania 3031 Karachi 13-12 K Nixon
4 Clan Stuart 3550 Kathiawar 15-12 J Finlay
5 Tango Maru 4238 Japan 14-12 N Y Kaisha
6 Kidderpore 3263 London 18-12 M M
7 Cilicia 6577 Karachi 17-12 Anchor Line
9 Loch Lomond 3259 N F N F Grahams Trading.
10 Karanja 4646 Durban 21-12 M M
12 Marken 3355 Bahrein 14-12 Volkart Bros.
14 Wartenfels 3766 Antwerp 17-12 L Edwards
16 Lahore 3161 Kobe 16-12 M M

VICTORIA DOCK

2 Jalaganga 3080 Burma 16-12 Scindia S N
3 Bandra 1895 Persian Gulf 14-12 M M
4 Vasna 2026 Busra 15-12 M M
9 Baron Vernon 2205 Hull 16-12 J Mackintosh
10/11 Golconda 3203 Calcutta 13-12 M M

PRINCE'S DOCK

F Akbar 2479 Jeddah 14-12 T Morrison C/R Ranee 3143 Rangoon 17-12 T Morrison

Steamers Expected

FROM LONDON

Strathaird 29-12-38 P and O
Saudan 30-12-38 P and O S N
Ranchi 5-1-39 P and O S N
Comorin 15-12-38 P and O S N
Nagpore 21-12-38 P and O S N
Rajputana 22-12-38 P and O S N

FROM HULL

City of Kobe 3-1-38 J Finlay

FROM LIVERPOOL

City of Johannesburg 16-12-38 K Nixon
Britannia 13-1-39 Anchor Line
Clan Murray 19-12-38 J Finlay

FROM HAMBURG

Goldenfels 23-12-38 L Edward
Aagtekerk 23-12-38 L Edwards
Trifels 19-12-38 L Edwards

FROM GOTHENBURG

Simla 22-12-38 L Edwards
Ceylone 4-1-39 L Edwards

FROM NEW YORK

Pres Monroe 22-12-38 F F Campbell
City of Elwood 9-12-38 L Edwards

FROM TRIESTE

Himalaya 13-12-38 L Triestino
Conte Rosso 19-12-38 L Triestino
Monte Piana 14-12-38 L Triestino

FROM GENOA

Victoria 2-1-39 L Triestino

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN

Canton 24-12-38 P and O S N
Yeifuku Maru 7-1-39 O S Kaisya
Nagato Maru 14-12-39 N Y Kaisha
Malaca Maru 27-12-38 N Y Kaisha
Kawato Maru 5-12-38 O S K
Jademoor 14-12-38 O S Kaisha
Somali 19-12-38 P and O S N

FROM RANGOON

Guirsoppa 18-12-38 M M

FROM BASRA

Bankura 15-12-38 M M
Varsova 17-12-38 M M

FROM MAURITIUS

Alavi 16-12-38 T Morrison

FROM SYDNEY

Strathmore 16-12-38 P and O S N

FROM CALCUTTA

Orna 26-12-38 M M

FROM DURBAN

Kenya 7-1-38 M M
Tairea 24-12-38 M M

FROM KARACHI

Vita 15-12-38 M M

Sailing Dates

FOR LONDON

Corfu 7-1-39 P and O S N
Strathnaver 14-1-39 P and O S N
Somali 30-12-38 P and O S N
Strathmore 17-12-38 P and O S N
Kidderpore 18-12-38 P and O S N
Mooltan 31-12-38 P and O S N
Canton 24-12-38 P and O S N

FOR LIVERPOOL

Celicia 23-12-38 Anchor Line

FOR HAMBURG

Wartenfels 17-12-38 L Edwards
Uhenfels 20-12-38 L Edwards

FOR NEW YORK

Pres. Monroe 24-12-38 F F Campbell

FOR HULL

Baron Vernon 16-12-38 J Mackintosh

FOR TRIESTE

Conte Rosso 16-1-39 L Triestino

FOR GENOA

Conte Biancamano 5-1-39 L Triestino

FOR CHINA AND JAPAN

Conte Rosso 19-12-38 L Triestino
Jademoor 28-12-38 O S Kaisha
Lahore 15-12-38 P and O
Bhutan 8-12-38 P and O S N
Rajputana 22-12-38 P and O
Nagato Maru 31-12-38 N Y Kaisya
Ranchi 5-1-39 P and O S N
Victoria 2-1-39 L Triestino
Tango Maru 15-12-38 N Y Kaisha
Kawato Maru 23-12-38 O S Kaisha

FOR SYDNEY

Strathaird 29-12-38 P and O S N
Comorin 15-12-38 P and O S N

FOR BASRA

Bandra 14-12-38 M M
Vasna 15-12-38 M M
Monte Piana 15-12-38 L Triestino

FOR DURBAN

Tairea 4-1-39 M M
Takliwa 7-12-38 M M

FOR JEDDAH

Alavi 24-12-38 T Morrison
El Madina 23-12-38 Scindia S N

FOR RANGOON

Ranee 17-12-38 T Morrison

FOR KARACHI

Vita 17-12-38 M M
City of Christiania 13-12-38 K Nixon
Cilicia 17-12-38 Anchor Line
Nagato Maru 16-12-38 N Y Kaisha

B P. T. GENERAL LANDING DATES

S S Badarpur 12-12-38
S S City of Christiania 12-12-38
S S Parvati 12-12-38
S S Sonavati 12-12-38
S S Conte Verde (boats) 12-12-38
S S Golconda 13-12-38

EXPORTS

S S Coldilana for Trieste: 25 bales cotton rags The Overseas Ctn Waste; 110 bales raw cotton Volkart Bros.

For Fuime: 56 bales raw cotton Rallı Bros.

For Marseilles: 1404 bags gr nut kernals S M Rajgor; 185 bags mustard seed S M Rajgor; 600 bags henna leaves S M Rajgor.

For Venice: 495 bales raw cotton Volkart Bros; 220 bales raw cotton K Devchand.

For Genoa: 55 bales raw cotton K Devchand.

S S Lahore for Kobe: 150 bales raw cotton Ramnarain Sons; 400 bales raw cotton M S Kaisha; 100 bales raw cotton The Cotton Agents; 100 bales raw cotton R Kanji; 100 bales raw cotton S R Tulshan; 115 bales raw cotton V Ladha; 100 bales raw cotton K Devchand; 50 bales raw cotton N Nagshi; 120 bales raw cotton Kotak.

For Osaka: 150 bales raw cotton Ramnarain Sons; 100 bales raw cotton M Amersey.

For Shanghai: 220 bales raw cotton G K Kaisha.

S S Kidderpore for London 876 bags gr nut seed R Ratilal; 5900 bags linseed L Dreyfus; 103 drums castor oil A Hargovindas; 4054 bags gr nut oil cake Indo Foreign Commercial Corp.

For Hull: 37 bags kang grain V Khimji; 400 bags gr nut with shell B Balwant; 1185 bags linseed The Cotton Agents; 100 bales raw wool D Abraham.

For Antwerp: 75 bales hemp raw D Anandji: 55 bales raw cotton The Bombay Co.

For Marseilles: 218 bags mustard seed Volkart Bros; 50 bales cotton fly Sapt T Products (India).

IMPORTS

S S Varsova Agents M Mackenzie & Co from Busrah: 30090 bundles wet dates; 1416 bags dry dates; 100 baskets zadhi dates; 60 bags sheep skins; 1578 bags mash; 43 bags beans; 1029 bags barley.

From Khoramshahr: 100 nos oxygen cylinder complete.

From Karachi: 3010 bags wheat; 590 bags barley; 1014 bales cotton; 116 cases dry fruits.

S S Atlanta City Agents M Mackenzie and Co from New York: 107 cases auto parts; 53 cases graphite powdered; 430 bags pearl starch; 64 cases lubg oil; 79 cases brake fluid; 430 bags powdered starch; 52 ctns radio sets; 540 bags mill starch; 42 bales cotton fents; 50 paper sacks water proofing compound; 200 bundles asphalt shingles; 150 rolls roofing paper; 210 boxes flit insecticide; 50 ctns kool kooshions; 44 cases motion picture projections and accessories; 137 bales secondhand clothing; 602 cases wire nails; 48 boxes wind mill material.

From Savannah: 120 brls gum rosin.

From Port Arthur Texas: 300 drums summer black oil; 50 drums texa coat; 1502 drums paving cement.

From New Orleans: 477 brls wood rosin; 2000 bags starch; 310 cts hardboard; 531 pieces dogwood timber; 342 cases wood turpentine.

From Mobile: 240 cts hard board; 9034 bundles steel hoops.

From Alexandria: 600 bales cotton.

M V Villar Perosa Agents L Triestino from Naples: 453 cases art silk yarn; 104 bags extracted cloves.

From Genoa: 50 bags grafite; 50 cases vermouth; 175 cases school slates; 100 bags barytes; 946 cases iron nails; 200 bags green chips; 100 bags pearl chips; 90 carboys volkardol; 131 cases rayon yarn;.

From Catonia: 900 bags sulphur; 100 cases shelled almonds.

From Leghorn: 267 cases win and ctn rugs; 100 bags borax; 1175 pieces marble tiles; 2377 pieces marble slabs; 620 bags marble chips; 252 boxes tin plates; 50 cases German silver circles.

From Palemo: 105 bags shelled almonds.

ON BEING ENGAGED

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without any restrictions or restraint. Someone once observed that a great negro artist gives you the impression that he is always rehearsing. And that is when he is at the height of his form. And the way Teddy was slapping the keys, you might have thought he was playfully spanking the bottom of a new born babe. That's how he touched the keys of his piano. If only Mr. Kaufmann could have heard this "Modern Music"!

Mine host—Mr. A. R. Dalal—looked approvingly on. He is the sort of person who likes to see young people enjoy. Until you meet him you think that a man of his calibre must be talking only of wage-earning and profit-sharing and the division of labour. But he does none of these. He would rather tell you about a good bridge hand or smack his lips at the mention of a cognac that goes back to the days of good king Napoleon. Yet I would say of him that of the three branches—brain, brawn and beauty—that are represented in the House of Tatas, A. R. Dalal is most certainly the brain.

It was long past little Bhicky's bed-time when the King was played. I caught my host's eye while we were both standing rigidly to attention. We smiled. But for the playing of the King I doubt very much if we would have broken up even then. That is always the best part of attending someone else's engagement party. You get all the fun, and God still disposes.

Southern Selling Depresses N. Y. Cotton Prices

MARKET UNDECIDED ON REFERENDUM RESULT

Scattered Covering And Trade Buying

Bombay, Dec. 13.

On Monday the New York cotton market was undecided. It is opined that the result of the referendum does not prelude the possibility of new Farm legislation with Senator Smith quoted as being against continuance of the New Deal crop control but favouring domestic allotment for cotton.

The market opened steady but was inactive. Prices advanced on favourable vote for marketing quota and higher Liverpool cables but demand proved small and prices reacted on realising, hedging and liquidation. Finally the market rallied partially on covering with the session closing steady.

March opened at a rise of 4 points at 8.27 and advanced to 8.30 which was the highest level. Later on there was increased selling and prices declined to 8.18 which was the lowest level. The market closed at a net decline of 2 to 5 points. American spot cotton prices declined 2 points at 8.65c. per lb.

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also quiet and closed at a decline of 2 points. Spot cotton prices also lost 2 points at 8.43c. per lb.

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened unchanged with March 4.65. Reports that the referendum over whelmingly favours continuance of quotas and adverse Indian crop news were helpful influences. There was scattered buying and contracts were scarce. Later on there was local covering of nears, Bombay buying and straddle buying against New York which disclosed scarcity of contracts and the market closed at a rise of 13 to 9 points. Middling American spot cotton prices advanced 8 points at 5.09d.

EGYPTIAN COTTON.

Egyptian cotton futures market was active with improved demand and closed at a rise of 16 points. Uppers futures advanced 11 to 12 points. The Alexandria cotton futures market was irregular and Sakels futures closed 3 points up to 8 points down. Ashmouni futures advanced 18 to 13 points.

LOW LOAN LEVEL

Messrs. E. J. Schwabach and Co. state:—

The Secretary of Agriculture has made two important statements in his recent speeches in the South. He cautioned farmers that they must be content with a low loan level, presumably for 1939, and that they must depend on adjustment payments by the Government to compensate them for a fair return. Immediately, October futures declined to 85 points under December. 'The market senses that next season's loan might be in the vicinity of 7 3/4 cents,' might be the normal reaction, but in reality the pressure of short hedges brought October down to this level because October is at present the most distant month and shippers do not dare to hedge their purchases in the near positions fearing that deliveries of the actual might be demanded under present circumstances of disparity between spots and futures.

The second statement of the Secretary touches upon technological methods producing synthetic fibres which may offer increasing competition to cotton. Again, price will be the determining factor. High cotton prices would only accelerate this process and hasten the decrease in cotton consumption.

What the Secretary did not touch upon is how the Government is going to dispose of the 10 million bales now under its control. He pointed out that this enormous reserve must be moved into consumption sooner or later, but he did not reveal an actual plan how this task is to be accomplished.

EARMARKED NOCKS.

If a good portion of these stocks were immediately earmarked for the Army, Navy and Air forces in connection with the rearmament programme now contemplated, it would have a been announced on this matter.

Arrangements are now being made to utilize the low grades out of the Government stocks for distribution to the needy. Nothing definite has as yet been announced on this matter.

A further possible outlet for the accumulated Government stocks would be "extraordinary sales" which would not interfere with the normal export trade in American cotton. These sales could be consumated on credit terms, partly short and partly long term. Congress when it convenes in January will probably have occasion to take this matter under advisement, because for the present such sales could not be made to countries which are subject to the regulations of the Johnson Act.

Prompt action on the stock would be highly advisable, because if permitted to grow larger and larger the problem of its disposal would become more difficult.

Meanwhile as the December position will become liquidated attention will center upon March. The open contracts in March amount to 691,000 bales. 'It is fairly obvious that March will gradually take the place of December and lose the premium over all other months.'

'Therefore, we continue to advise to place short hedges in July and October.'

If the Government should be successful in partly earmarking and partly disposing of the 10 million bales now in the loan, there would be some hope for cotton prices, especially in view of the 1939 acreage goal recently announced at 27,000,000 to 29,000,000 acres, and indications of smaller Foreign crops.

LOAN COTTON.

It would be a mistake to imagine, however, that Government stocks could increase indefinitely. The international coffee loan which recently became due is a pungent example of such a situation. The coffee collateral is available, but is not being sold because its liquidation would seriously impair the normal flow of trade out of the current crop. Therefore the collateral must remain "frozen". This should serve our Government as an excellent example of what can happen in a similar situation.

PRIVATE CABLES

N. Y. March Highest (10-46 a.m.) ..... 8.30+07
N. Y. March Lowest (2-19 p.m.) ..... 8.16—07
Liverpool March Highest ..... 4.76+11
Liverpool March Lowest 4.65

Messrs. Bishwambharlal Maheshwari have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:—

New York:—

Think well of buying at present prices March New York think prices will advance to about 8.75 before tender time.

Control voted by about 84 per cent prefer buying old crops.

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co., Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their Foreign Friends:—

Liverpool.—Advance owing to improving consumption in the United States of America. Near positions are most affected owing to nervousness of parties who are 'short' in the 'spot' market.

Liverpool.—Market advanced under leadership of strong near months. Farmers' referendum favourable. Bullish.

New York.—Market eased on Southern selling absorbed by trade and local covering.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, Dec. 12.

January	8.25—04
March	8.21—02
May	8.01—05
July	7.72—04
October	7.40—04
Middling spot	8.66—02

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Dec. 12.

December	8.50
January	8.36—02
March	8.33—02
Middling spot	8.43—02

NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 12.

11 a.m. Ranges.—	
January	8.30/8.30
March	8.25/8.25
May	8.07/8.07
Noon Call.—	
March	8.25
May	8.07

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, Dec. 12.

	Bales.
Day's receipts at all U.S. Ports	16,000
Day's exports to Great Britain	2,000
Day's exports to the Continent	Nil
Day's exports to China and Japan	3,000

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, Dec. 12.

December	4.80+15
January	4.78+13
February	4.77+12
March	4.76+11
April	4.73+11
May	4.71+11
June	4.66+09
July	4.63+09
August	4.58+09
September	4.53+09
October	4.48+09
November	4.48+08
December	4.49+08
Middling spot	5.06+08
10-12 a.m. quotations.	
January	4.66
March	4.66

Egyptian Cotton

Liverpool, Dec. 12.

GIZA—	
Spot	7.72+ 9.
January	7.35+16.
March	7.29+16.
May	7.25+15.
Giza No. 2.	
January	7.36+15.
March	7.40+15.
May	7.42+14.
July	7.44+13.
UPPERS—	
Spot	6.12+11.
January	6.01+11.
March	6.05+11.
May	6.09+12.
July	6.10+12.
October	6.02+12.
November	5.09+12.

Cotton Arrivals

Receipts into Bombay on 10th Dec.	6,986
Receipts into Bombay	

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, Dec. 12.

Broach A/M. 1939 op 158 3/8; highest 158 7/8; lowest 157 3/4; closing 158 3/4.

Broach J/A. op 159 3/4; highest 160 1/8; lowest 159; closing 160.

Oomra D/J op 145 3/8; highest 146 3/4; lowest 145 3/8; closing 146 3/4.

Oomra March op 144 7/8; highest 145 3/4; lowest 144 3/4; closing 145 3/4.

Bengal D/J. op 120; highest 120 3/4; lowest 120; closing 120 3/4.

Bengal March op 120 1/2; highest 120 3/4; lowest 120 1/2; closing 120 3/4.

Teji/Mandi for Broach A/May 1939 (21-12-38) Rs. 2 1/4.

Teji/Mandi for Broach A/May 1939 (24-3-39) Rs. 9 1/8.

Teji/Mandi for Broach J/Aug. 1939 (24-6-39) Rs. 13 1/2.

to date since 1-9-1938	376,039
Receipts into Bombay same time last season	235,784
Increase	140,255

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, Dec. 13.

Following a decline of 7 points in New York cotton futures, the local market opened to-day at Rs. 158 for Broach A/M, delivery and in the absence of any important business prices fluctuated within a narrow range. It is feared that despite the Farmers' referendum favouring, there is possibility of some change in the Farm act. Thus the market was dull.

Liverpool market opened at a decline of 4 points and later on was quoted 2 points up. In the local market Broach A/M delivery after declining to Rs. 157-12 improved to Rs. 158. The market finally closed at 5 p.m. as under:

F. G. M. G.—			
Broach A/M	157	14	0
Broach J/A	159	4	0
Fine F. G.—			
Oomra March	146	8	0
Oomra May	145	0	0
F. G. M. G.—			
Bengal March	121	4	0
Bengal May	120	10	0

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, Dec 13

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G—					
Bengal U P	129	126	123		120
Punjab	129	126	123		120
Rajputana	129	126	123		120
Oomra No. 3	156	153	150	147	
C P No. 1	170	157	164	161	
C P No. 2	162	159	156	153	

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, Dec 13

Bengal Superfine 130/32
Bengal Fine 127/28 Dec +5 1/2 Jan +4 1/2
Bengal F G 124/25
C P 1 164/65 Dec +17 Jan +14 1/2
C P 2 155/56 Dec +9 Jan +7
Arvi 156/57
Amraoti 150/51
Ellichpur 155/56
Berar 150/51 Dec +4 Jan +3
Malkapur 148/49
Khandesh 139/41
Jalna Sailu 144/45
Burwah Sanavad 151/53
Khandwa 151/53
Mathia F G 129/31 Dec —15 Jan —19
Broach March +3 1/2
Punjab 4 F 180/86 Dec +26
Punjab 289 F 213/18 Dec +59
Sindh N T 193/205

Indian Cotton Figures

Bombay, Dec 13

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed bales

	2 days	This year	Last year
Khandesh	317	9,140	912
Central India	973	45,891	273
Brasi and Nagar	407	9,170	4,713
Hyderabad Gaorani		480	895
Berar	1,078	33,073	14,207
Central Provinces	178	13,708	2,460
Total Oomras	2,953	111,462	23,460
Dholera	2,283	49,923	2,765
N W Provinces		487	1,352
Rajputana	68	6,938	95
Sind Punjab	1,356	71,620	85,937
Broach	102	11,651	1,405
Coompta & Dharwar	51	11,233	7,059
Westerns Northerns	256	9,386	804
Cocoanada		1	12
Tinnevelly and Cambodia		2,019	809
American		512	4,010
Egyptian, African and Sudan		107,870	105,876
Comilla, Burma and other sorts		6	370
Total	7,099	383,108	269,955

Exports From Bombay

1st Sept to 8th Dec

In full-pressed bales

	Yesterday	This year	Last year
Europe	1,437	57,363	47,435
Japan and China	3,495	304,504	64,700
Coast Ports		10,593	22,028
Up-country by Rail		84,892	99,420
Afloat in harbour for Europe China and Japan		12,971	2,445
Total	4,932	470,323	236,008

American Cotton Figures

F P Bales	1938-39	1937-38
Receipts to date 12-12-38	2838000	5310000
Receipts yesterday 12-12-38	16000	51000
Exports to date 12-12-38	1815000	2956000
Stock at Ports 9-12-38	3084000	3239000
Stock at Interior Towns 9-12-38	3402000	2638000
Stock at Liverpool 9-12-38	1031000	959000
Visible Supply 9-12-38	7997000	7544000
Quantity in sight 9-12-38	6824000	9492000
Quantity out of sight 9-12-38	4489000	4829000

Cotton Straddles

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES

New York—Liverpool:—
Jan. 99 March 99 May 109 July 122 Oct. 124 at Cross Rate 4.66 3/16.

Bombay—Liverpool:—
Broach A/M. 1939 158—Liverpool May 4.69 Rs. 46 1/4 at Exchange 1/6.

Bombay—Liverpool:—
Broach J/A. 1939 159/4—Liverpool July 1939 4.61 Rs. 41 1/2 at Exchange 1/6

Bombay—New York:—
Broach A/M 1939 158—New York May 8.01 Rs. 33 at Cross Rate 4.65 3/16.

Bombay—New York:—
Broach J/A. 1939 159/4—New York July 7.72 Rs. 25 at Cross Rate 4.66 3/16.

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, Dec. 12.

SAKEL—	
January	12.87+3.
March	13.17—5.
May	13.37—8.
ASHMOUNI—	
December	10.47+17
February	10.57+18.
April	10.65+18.
GIZA—	
January	12.98+8.
March	13.11+6.
May	13.20+10.

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, Dec. 13.

Yesterday London gold prices declined 1 1/2d. to £7-3-10 1/2. London Paris Exchange rate was 21 points down at 177-1-00. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.66 3/16. London silver prices advanced 1/8d. to 20 1/8d. speculators bought and sold and business was small. Later on there were buyers at fixed rates and sellers at 1/16 over fixed quotation. New York spot silver was unchanged at 42 3/4 per cent. Shanghai T. T. on London was quoted 0/8. London Bombay spot parity is Rs. 53-1-6 and forward Rs. 51-7-3. Sovereigns are quoted at Rs. 23-15-0. The local market was quiet with scattered selling.

GOLD

Ready	37	6	3
Posh delivery	37	5	9
Posh Tejimandi	0	5	9
Maha delivery	37	7	0
Maha Tejimandi	0	3	0

SILVER

Ready	51	0	0
Posh delivery	50	14	6
Posh Tejimandi	1	0	0
Maha delivery	50	13	6
Maha Tejimandi	1	6	0

LONDON SILVER.

London, Dec. 12.

Spot	20 1/8
Forward	19 7/16

LONDON GOLD

London, Dec. 12.

Gold bars fine per oz	7-8-10 1/2

LONDON METALS

London, Dec. 12.

Copper	£43 8 9
Lead	£15 3 9
Spelter	£13 17 6
Tin	£215 5 0

Bombay Metals

Bombay, Dec 13

London market—	
Standard copper cash (buyers)	£43-5-0
Standard copper 3 months	£43-10-0
Electrolytic copper	£49-10-0
Bombay market—	
Yellow metal sheets	Rs. 40-0-0
Copper sheets	Rs. 48-4-0
Tone: Steady.	

PRECIOUS METALS

Bombay, Dec 9

The following are the weekly quotations for the Precious Metals.

Platinum 100 per cent Rs. 48 per tola (Elephant Brand)

Platinum 97 per cent Rs. 47 per tola (Elephant Brand)

Platinum 25 per cent Rs. 14 per tola (Anchor Brand).

Palladium 100 per cent Rs. 35 per tola

Iridium 100 per cent Rs. 100 per tola

Osmium 100 per cent Rs. 65 per tola

Ruthenium 100 per cent Rs. 55 per tola

Rhodium 100 per cent Rs. 165 per tola

Groundnuts Coromandel Shelled

London, Dec 12

January	£10-3-9
February	£10-3-9

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay, Dec. 13.

Castorseeds May—			
Opening	29	15	6
Highest	29	14	6
Lowest	29	12	0
Closing	29	12	0
Groundnuts Feb.—			
Opening	28	11	0
Highest	29	3	3
Lowest	28	11	0
Closing	29	1	3
Cottonseed Jan.—			
Opening	21	5	6
Highest	21	12	6
Lowest	21	5	6
Closing	21	9	3
Cottonseed May—			
Opening	21	9	0
Highest	21	14	6
Lowest	21	9	0
Closing	21	12	3

Wheat Liverpool

Liverpool, Dec 12

December	58 1/8d.
March	57d.
May	57 1/8d.
May	54 1/2d. New
March	54d. New

Wheat Chicago

Chicago, Dec 12

December	dol 0.64
May	dol 0.66 3/4
July	dol 0.65 3/8

LONDON SUGAR

London, Dec. 12.

March	5s 11 1/4d.

New York Sugar

New York, Dec 12

March	1.91
May	1.95
July	1.99
September	2.01

Bombay Sugar

Bombay, Dec 13

Ready Javas	Rs. 15 6 0
Shipment Jan March	5 15 6
Shipment July Sept	6 3 0
Kesar	15 5 0
Sarnya	15 4 0
Java Spot	F 6.25

Osaka Cotton

Osaka, Dec. 13.

February	52.20
March	52.20

LONDON PRODUCE

London, Dec. 12.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe parcels Jan/Feb sellers	22/3
Wheat Barletta Russo parcels Jan/Feb. sellers	23
Wheat South Australian parcels Afloat sellers	23/3

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, Dec. 13.

3 1/2	per cent G P Notes (Cash)	98	8
2 3/4	per cent 1948/52 Loan	99	8
3	per cent 1951/54 Loan	101	10
3	per cent 1941 Bonds	102	12
3	per cent 1968/65	98	2
3 1/2	per cent 1947/50	105	2
4	per cent 1940/43 Bonds	108	6
4	per cent 1960/70 Loan	111	6
4 1/2	per cent 1955/60 Loan	119	2
3	per cent U P Bonds	98	
5	per cent 1939/44 Loan	101	14
5	per cent 1940/43 Loan	105	4

TAX FREES

5	per cent 1943/55 Loan	116	2
4	per cent 1953/83 Mysore	111	8
5	per cent 1955 Mysore	124	

CORPORATION DEBENTURES

4	per cent 1974 B P T	110	4
4	per cent 1974 M Deb	109	8
4	per cent 1974 M Deb	119	
5	per cent 1954 M Deb	130	

Tone:—Very steay. Budli dofferences ranged between 4 1/2 to 5 annas against short sellers.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, Dec. 13.

B C RATES—
T T D D 1/5 27/32
LONDON—
Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 7/8
Bank's buying T T 1/5 15/16
Bank's buying D D 1/5 31/32
Bank's buying 3 months 1/6 1/32 to March 1/6 April/Nov.
NEW YORK—
Bank's selling T T 289
Bank's buying T T 285 3/4
Bank's buying D D 285
PARIS—
Bank's selling T T 1,312
Bank's buying T T 1,340
JAPAN—
Bank's selling T T 78 5/8
Bank's buying T T 77 7/8
Bank's buying 60 days 77
AMSTERDAM—
Bank's selling D D 63 3/8
JAVA—
Bank's selling D D 63 1/4
HONGKONG—
Bank's selling D D 85 1/4
SHANGHAI—
Bank's selling D D 47 1/8
SINGAPORE—
Bank's sellinn D D 157 3/8
BERLIN—
Bank's selling D D 85 3/4
CROSS RATE—
New York/London 4.66.12 12th inst.
Japan/London 1/2 1/64 13th inst.
Hongkong/London 1/3 13th inst.
Shanghai/London 0/8 13th inst.
Java/London 8.55 13th inst.
London/Paris 177.65 12th inst.
London/Belgium 27.60 1/2 12th inst.
London/Switzerland 20.60 1/2 12th inst
London/Berlin 11.63 1/2 12th inst.
London/Stockholm 19.40 5/8 12th inst.
London/New York 4.66.18 12th inst.
London/Amsterdam 8.57 1/2 12th inst.
London/Italy 88.62 12th inst.
Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Firm
Near. Quiet Forward.
Gold £7-8-11 10th inst.
Gold £7-8-10 1/2 12th inst
Silver London Ready 20 10th inst.
Silver London Ready 20 1/8 12th inst.
Silver London Forward 19 7/16 10th inst.
Silver London Forward 19 7/16 12th inst.
Silver New York Ready 43 10th inst.
Silver New York Ready 43 12th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 15/16 to 1 per cent 10th inst.
London Discounts 3 months 1 per cent 12th inst.
London Discounts 6 months 1 per cent 10th inst.
London Discounts 6 months 15/16 per cent 12th inst.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.
Bank of England Rate 2 per cent
Money:—
Call 1 per cent.
3 months 1 1/2 per cent.
6 months 1 1/4 per cent.
Tone:—Firm.

Indian Sterling Securities

London, Dec 12

Call Loan London			1/2
3 per cent	75	3/8	
3 1/2 per cent	89	3/8	
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	101	1/4	
4 per cent 1948/53	105	5/8	
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	111	1/2	
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	115	1/4	
5 per cent 1942/47	107	1/2	
3 per cent 1919/52	98	1/4	
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	69	7/8	
3 1/2 per cent War Loan	98	1/8	
4 per cent Funding Loan 1960/90			108
Indian Iron and Steel New Ord			45

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, Dec. 13.

GOVT. SECURITIES.

3 1/2 per cent Paper	93	8	
4 per cent 1960-70	111	5	
5 per cent 1945-55	116	3	

BANKS

Bank of Baroda	115	8	
Bank of Hindusthan	31	12	
Bank of India	148	8	
Central Bank	30		
Imperial Bank F.P.	1571	4	
Imperial Bank P. P.	385		
Indian Overseas Bank	45	8	
Reserve Bank	115	8	
Union Bank	5	11	6

TEXTILES.

Ahmd. New Textiles	530		
Ambica	238	2	
Arun	226	4	
Arvind	12	5	
Asok	219	6	
Bharatkhand	2500		
Bombay Dyeing	868	12	
Buckingham and Carnatics	201		
Calico	603	12	
Central India	234	6	
Century	238	12	
Colaba	143	2	
Delhi Cloth and Gen. Mills	410		
Elgin	212	8	
Gokak	153	2	
Hukumchand	188	2	
Indore	55		
Jubilee	203	12	
Khatau Makanji	117	8	
Kohinoor	257	8	
Laxmi Cotton	520		
Madhusudan	200		
Marsden	98	12	
Morarji	135		
Mysore	88	12	
Nandlal Bhandari	77	4	
New Great	215		
Raipur	701	4	
Rajnagar	221	4	
Sajjan	97	8	
Sassoon and Alliance	71		
Sholapur	3225		
Simplex	78	4	
Swadeshi	217	8	
Vishnu	1250		

HYDRO ELECTRICS

Andhra Valley Ord.	1412	8	
Tata Hydro Ord.	185		
Tata Power Ord	1302	8	

ELECTRICS

Ahmedabad Electrics	139	6	
Ajmer Electrics	12	8	
Amalgamated	12	6	
Bombay Suburban	148	12	
Bombay Tram.	123	12	
Surat Electrics	172	8	

MISCELLANEOUS.

Air Services of India	5	8	
Alcock Ashdown	340		
Associated Cements	107	8	
Belapur	187	8	
Bombay Burma New	180		
Bombay Burma Old	511	4	
Bombay Steam	212	8	
Bombay Telephone	82		
Br. B. Petrol	3	8	
Burma Corporation	5	13	6
Dalmia Cement	9	10	
Indian Bleaching	124	6	
Industrial Investment Tr.	41	8	
Indian Radio Ord.	385	10	
Indian Radio Defd.	390		
Indian Copper	2	3	6
Indian Iron	29	8	
Mysore Sugar	31		
Port Canning	74	8	
Premier Construction	65	4	
Rohtas Industries	25	8	
Scindia Steam	17	12	
Shivrajpur	49	8	
Tata Oil	46		
Tata Steel Ordy.	310		
Tata Steel Defd.	1480		

JUTES.

Birla Jute	14	12	
Howrah	50	7	
Hukumchand	5	10	
Kamarhatty	464		
Kankanarrah	348		
Lawrence	338		
Reliance	57	8	

Tata Steels Rally On Reported Decision Of Cartel

COTTON MILLS SHARES EASY

Market Opinion Divided

BOMBAY: DEC. 13.

The decision of the Continental Steel Cartel not to reduce Steel prices till 1940 gave relief to local Bulls and the market opened very steady and improved few points when the rise was checked by renewed long liquidation in Steel shares.

Yesterday the Wall Street Market was quietly steady and both U. S. Steel and Anaconda Coppers closed dol. 5/8 higher. Steel activity in U. S. A. again decreased from 59.9 to 57.6 per cent. and last year this week it was 24.7 per cent. Dows Industrial average was 148.65 against 148.51 on the last Saturday.

The local market after the shake-off on Saturday in normal course would have ruled steady and the decision of the Cartel failed to attract impressive buying. It is feared that in view of Xmas holidays the market would not be able to show increased activity and buyers remained cautious.

At the rise there was active realising and long liquidation which was well absorbed and the session ruled steady. Cotton Mills shares were quiet with scattered selling and at the close registered declines as compared with the previous close. Associated Cements remained unchanged.

Tata Steel shares opened at Rs. 1,480 and after advancing to Rs. 1,490 declined to Rs. 1,475 and steadied at Rs. 1,485 for the whole day

TEXTILE SHARES

BOMBAY, Dec. 13

100	Ahmd. Advance	420	0
200	BOMBAY DYEING	870	0
100	CENTURY	239	8
100	CENTRAL INDIA	234	8
100	COLABA	144	0
100	Coorla	95	0
250	David	75	0
250	Dawn	321	4
1.	E. D. Sassoon	0-4-3	
100	Finlay	118	12
100	GOKAK	153	8
1,000	Hindustan	1,705	0
100	Indore	55	0
100	Khatau	117	8
100	KOHINOOR	258	8
150	Laxmi	520	0
250	Madras United	35	0
100	Morarji	135	0
250	Model	55	8
50	MYSORE	89	0
200	NEW GREAT	216	0
100	Oosmanshahi	40	0
100	PHOENIX	223	0
25	Sassoon Silk	71	0
1,000	Sholapur	3225	0
50	SIMPLEX	76	12
100	SWADESHI	218	0
100	Swan	112	0
500	Vishnu	1250	0
1,000	Westerns	860	0

BANKS

50-100	Baroda	115	8
25-50	Central	30	0
500	Imperial	1,571	4
125-500	Imp. Conty.	385	0
50-100	India	148	8
100	Reserve Bank	115	8
5	Unions	5	11	6

CEMENTS

100	Associated	107	12

INSURANCE

100-500	Empire	685	0
15-100	Jupiter	13	0
20	Mercantile	52	0
15-100	New India	37	11
200	Oriental	4300	0
10-50	Vulcan	7	2

ELECTRIC

100	Ah. Old	138	12
1,000	ANDHRA VALLEY	1,415	0
10	Ajmer	11	14
10	Amalgmd.	12	0
50	Bombay Tram	123	12
100	Bombay Suburban	148	12
10	Broach	10	0
100	Karachi	186	4
100	Poona	170	10
100	Surat	172	8
100	TATA HYDRO	155	0
100	TATA POWERS	1,305	0

RAILWAYS

100	Ahmedabad Prantij	951	4
100	C. Province	101	8
100	Dn Baramati	103	4
100	Gujarat	101	0
100	Mandrai Bhon	101	12
100	Pachora Jamner	95	0
100	Sara Serajgaunj	101	0
500	Tapti Valley	755	0

MINING.

9	Burma Corp.	5	14
8sh	Indian Copper	2	3	6
10	Indian Iron and Steel	29	8
10	Shivrajpur	49	12
70	TATA STEEL DEFDS	1,485	0
75	TATA STEEL ORD.	310	8

MISCELLANEOUS

100	ALCOCK	341	0
60	BELAPUR SUGAR	188	0
200-250	Bombay Safe Dep.	840	0
250	BOMBAY STEAM	213	8
125	B. BURMA	513	12
50	Bombay Conty.	180	0
8sh.	Br. B. Petrol	3	8	6
50	BOMBAY TELEPHONE	82	0
100	I BLEACHING	125	0
50	Invest Trust	41	6
100	I. Radio Defd	390	0
100	I. Radio Ord.	380	0
100	Port Canning	74	8
40	Premier Con. XD.	65	8
15	Scindia	17	12
25	Tata Oil Mill (nil)	46	0

PREFERENCE

5	1/2 Amalgmad (T. F.)	106	0
7	p. c. Andhra Valley	1510	0
6	p.c. Bombay Steam XD	283	12
5	p.c. Bombay Tram (TF)	73	0
5	p.c Central India (T.F.)	570	0
6¼	p.c. Prem. Const 1st.	108	0
6-1/4	p.c. Prem. Const. 2nd	97	0
7	p.c. Tata Hydro	150	10
7½	p.c. Tata Power	1,605	0
6	p. c Tata Steel 1st.	210	10
7½	p.c. Tata Steel 2nd.	159	12
7	p.c Vishnu	717	8

DEBENTURES

3-3/4	p.c. Andhra Valley	102	6
6	p.c. Andhra Valley	108	4
4	P.c. Bombay Telephone	52	8
7	p.c. Sholapur	80	4
6	p.c. Tata Hydro.	108	8

(Capital Letters indicate Shares on Forward List.)

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE.

Bombay, Dec. 13.

Bombay Dyeing (875) 876 877 870 871 867 868 870
Century (240/8) 241 240 239 239/2
Central India (234/8) 237 236 235 234/8
Kohinoor (258/8) 261 260 259 258 258/8
New Great (215/8) 218 216
Simplex (77/4) 78 77 76/12
Swadeshi (219) 221 219 218
Associated Cement (107/12) 108/4 108 107/12
Andhra (1415) 1415
Tram. Ord. (123/12) 123/8 123/12
Tata Hydro (154/8) 154 155
Tata Power (1302/8) 1307 1305
T. Steel Dfd. (1465) 1482 1490 1475 1485 1490 1477 1482 1485
T. Steel Ord. (308) 311/8 312 310 311/8 310/8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (159/8) 159/12 159/8 159/12
Bellapur (188) 189/8 189 188/8 188
B. Steam (214/8) 214 213
B. Burma (512/8) 516 513 515 514 513/8

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York, Dec. 12

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dol.
Electric P and Light 7 p.c. Pfd.	35
Electric Bond Common	9 1/4
Columbia Gas and Elec.	6
United Corpn.	3

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BOMBAY: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1938

Mahatma Urges Internal Reform In Congress

Elimination Of Corruption & Violence In Language In View?

Haripura Resolution To Give Background Of New Resolution?

MUSLIM LEAGUE'S ALLEGATIONS TO BE ENQUIRED INTO

WARDHA: DEC. 13.

After two days' general discussions, covering a wide field and comprising many subjects such as the International situation, the position in the Indian States 'vis-a-vis' the widespread demand by State subjects for the grant of Responsible Government, the terms of reference of the National Planning Committee and the Bihari-Bengali Controversy, the Congress Working Committee to-day began what is generally regarded as the most important sitting of the current session.

INDIAN STATES

Mahatma Gandhi was present throughout. The outstanding topic of the discussion at this morning's meeting is believed to be the Congress Policy towards the Indian States.

WARDHAGANJ, Dec. 13.

Mahatma Gandhi explained at length at this morning's session of the Working Committee the urgent need for internal reform in the Congress organisation, with a view to completely eliminating corruption and checking the increasing tendency on the part of certain Congressmen to indulge in violence of language. Since the Congress acceptance of office, and removal of all restrictions on freedom of speech and press, Gandhiji is understood to have emphasised that unless this was done the very strength of the Congress would become its weakness, and it was the duty of the Working Committee to see that such a tendency was immediately checked.

Then, there was a general discussion on the subject. There was unanimity of opinion among members as to the immediate need for ending this state of affairs, but the main question was whether the object could be achieved by tightening up the Congress fold or whether there should be substantial modifications in the Congress Constitution imposing more stringent conditions regarding enrolment of members and entry of persons into the Congress fold.

Discussion will be resumed after lunch.

STATES AND SUBJECTS.

Another question of importance discussed at this morning's sitting, according to the Congress President, was the question of the Indian States 'vis-a-vis' the States' Subjects struggle for the attainment of Responsible Government. During this discussion also, it is understood, Mahatma Gandhi explained the background of the Haripura resolution on the Indian States and its real implications and how it had been misinterpreted in certain quarters to mean complete non-interference. Gandhiji also explained his recent statement in the "Harijan" on Indian States and indicated the general outlines of the resolution to be adopted this afternoon.

HARIPURA RESOLUTION AS BASIS?

It is gathered that the new resolution in its preamble will give the background of the Haripura resolution and its true interpretation and in the operative part, defined the general attitude of the Indian National Congress towards Indian States, without mentioning the name of any particular state. The resolution will also remove misunderstanding of misinterpretation regarding the term 'Non-Interference.' It is explained that the term 'Non-Interference' did never mean lack of sympathy with or support to the people of Indian States in their demand for Responsible Government on the part of the Indian National Congress.

What the Haripura resolution actually did was to throw the responsibility for any struggle on the people of the States themselves, and assured them of sympathy and moral support of the Congress organisation and permitted individual Congressmen to actively participate in their struggle. This position will

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INJUSTICE TO DEPRESSED CLASSES

Harijan Minister For U. P. Urged In Representation To Mahatma And Subhas

LUCKNOW: Dec. 12.

"We feel that the inclusion of a Scheduled Caste Member in the Cabinet is the first step towards amelioration of the conditions of our community," says a representation sent to the Premier by the Scheduled Caste members of the Congress Party in the U. P. Assembly, copies of which have also been forwarded to Mahatma Gandhi, Sjt. Subhas Chandra Bose, Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru and members of the Congress Parliamentary Sub-Committee.

The representation adds that the appointment of a Scheduled Caste member as Minister, and his reception by District officials and leading public men when out on tour, will bring about the much needed psychological change in the minds of the Caste-Hindus and others.

Pointing to the debate on Tenancy Bill the signatories say that it was stated that in the Bill no provision was made for conferring any rights on sub-tenants (who are chiefly Scheduled castes), because zamindars are opposed to it. This has made them very nervous and they feel their interests have been sacrificed to keep in good humour those zamindars who have been "our oppressors and enemies of the country's freedom".

That they will remain where they are and that they should not have the audacity to think that one of them can be included in the Cabinet. Though the population of Scheduled Castes in Assam, Bihar and Madras is proportionately less, they have Scheduled Caste Ministers.—A. P.

VICEROY REACHES CALCUTTA

CALCUTTA, Dec. 13.

The Viceroy and the Marchioness of Linlithgow accompanied by the Lady Anne Hope and the Lady Joan Hope arrived here by special train from Darbhanga at 9-35 a. m., The arrival was private.

Their Excellencies and party were received at the station by Lord Brabourne and the Lady Brabourne.

Just as His Excellency the Viceroy alighted from the saloon a salute of 31 guns was fired from the ramparts of the Fort William.

After presentation His Excellency and the Marchioness of Linlithgow drove to Belvedere while Lord Brabourne and the Lady Brabourne drove to Government House.—A. P.

CITIZENS' DEPUTATION LEAVES FOR WARDHA

Wait On Mahatma And Subhas To Urge Removal Of Ban On Nariman

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A deputation on behalf of the citizens of Bombay left for Wardha to wait on Mahatma Gandhi, Sjt. Subhas Chandra Bose and the Working Committee this morning to urge the removal of the ban on Sjt. K. F. Nariman.

The deputation consisted of Sjt. B. F. Bharucha and Sjt. A. H. Gadre.

SIR S. MEHTA DEAD

Was General Manager Of Empress Mills Of Nagpur

(From Our Correspondent).

NAGPUR, Dec. 13.

Sir Sorabji Bezonji Mehta, ex-Manager, Empress Mills, died last night of heart-failure.

Sir S. Mehta rose from the post of a clerk to the general managership of the Empress Mills, which owes its present prosperity and success to Sir Sorabji. His father, late Sir Bezonji Mehta, was also manager of the same Mills. King George V when he came to Nagpur conferred Knighthood upon him in 1912. Perhaps it was the first occasion when a King of England dubbed in person an Indian.

The Empress Mills and University Office were closed in his honour. Sir S. Mehta by his amicable nature was loved by poor and rich alike. He was about 80 years at the time of his death.

PRINCES CHAMBER AGENDA

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13.

The Standing Committee of the Chamber of Princes met to-day under the chairmanship of H. H. the Maharaja Jam Saheb of Nawanagar, Chancellor of the Chamber of Princes, says a Communique.

Their Highnesses of Bahawalpur, Bikaner, Dungarpur, Mandi and Sachin and the Secretary to His Excellency the Crown Representative attended the meeting.

The agenda for the next session of the Chamber of Princes, which includes the scheme for its reorganisation, was framed for the approval of His Excellency the Viceroy.—A. P.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CONGRESS

Punjab Kisan Discontent Against Unionist Ministry

NEW DELHI, Dec. 13.

"A golden opportunity has offered itself for the Congress in the Punjab to rally all progressive economic interests in the province and make a bold bid for power," says Prof. N. G. Ranga, General Secretary of the All-India Kisan Sabha, in the course of a statement on the present position of the Unionist Ministry in the Punjab.

Prof. Ranga says:—

"The present Punjab Ministry is on the horns of a dilemma over the growing and insistent demand of the 'kisans' for 50 per cent. reduction in 'Abiana.' Unable, as it was, to solve it, it has hastily dissolved the last session of the Punjab Legislative Assembly 'sine die.' That Ministry cannot satisfy the 'Kisans' over this demand, since even 25 per cent. reduction of 'Abiana' will cost the treasury over a crore of rupees, which it can spare only if a drastic retrenchment is made in the services. Many of its own members are up in arms against its failure to reduce the 'Abiana' rates."

"Under these circumstances," continues Prof. Ranga, "the Congress, if it comes out with a bold and progressive 'Kisan' policy offering to save 'Kisans' from the money-lenders and land revenue and water taxes, it can succeed immediately, either in breaking up the Unionist Ministry and saving the small 'Kisans' from its clutches.

SIND TOUR CANCELLED.

Prof. N. G. Ranga has cancelled his proposed Sind tour owing to more pressing engagements in the Dhenkanal State.

A 'Kisan' conference was held under the auspices of the Meerut District Kisan Sabha at Mowana yesterday. Prof. N. G. Ranga, M.L.A. (Central), General Secretary of the All-India Kisan Sabha, addressed the conference.—United Press.

ANOTHER BOAT TRAGEDY

Twenty Drowned In Kalat State

KARACHI, Dec. 13.

According to advices received here, a country craft carrying 23 persons capsized near Ormara Bunder in the Kalat State as a result of which 20 persons were drowned.

It is reported that the craft dashed against a sea animal and developed a hole through which water rushed in.—United Press.

Water-Logging In Deccan

BOMBAY GOVT.'S STEPS TO GIVE RELIEF TO CULTIVATORS

The Bombay Government is putting in efforts to solve the Deccan cultivators' problem which has arisen in certain areas, due to what is known as water-logging.

Steps have been taken by the Government to expedite in factory areas the drainage works, some of which had been delayed, pending the report of the Irrigation Enquiry Committee.

The difficulty of the cultivator in the factory areas of the Deccan has been that water which is required for the sugar-cane fields all the 24 hours of the day, percolates into the neighbouring areas, owing to lack of proper drainage and renders the fields in the vicinity unfit for crops. Complaints in this connection have been received by the Government.

The difficulties of the Deccan cultivators have also been referred to in certain sections of the Press. The Bombay Government has not been idle in the matter. It has been devoting special attention to these problems and has already taken steps to solve them.

It may be remembered the Irrigation Enquiry Committee of the Government looked into the question of water-logging and suggested remedies, some of which have been the basis of the Government's action.

With regard to the Deccan area, where concentrated cane is grown and where facilities for drainage are inadequate, one fact is to be borne in mind and that is, damage to crops is bound to occur in such areas. But, taking into consideration the fact that cane is the best crop for the Deccan, from the point of view of the "irrigators" themselves, the damage has to be put up with.

BELAPUR COMPLAINT

Complaints regarding water-logging are also being received by the Government from some areas near the Belapur Company's old estate. There are two difficulties to be solved in dealing with this particular area. One is the nigh cost of drainage. Secondly, there was no agreement with the Hyderabad State regarding the carrying of drains through their territory. These points were discussed by the Hon. Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Minister for Public Works Department, with the Hyderabad authorities, during his recent visit to the State and it has been found that some arrangement could be arrived at early.

The Hon Mr. Nurie has also impressed on the authorities of the Belapur Company the need for taking some action themselves, to improve the conditions in the area.

Another step which will go far in the matter of solving the problem, is the decision of the Government, that in connection with the new sugar factories to be sanctioned, the Government will insist on the necessary drainage being undertaken as early as possible.

FRESH REVENUE FOR ASSAM

Bardoloi Cabinet's Plans For Next Budget

CALCUTTA, Dec. 13.

The Shillong correspondent of the "Hindusthan Standard" wires that the Bardoloi Cabinet propose to secure, for the next budget, fresh revenue to the extent of Rs. 35,00,000 by imposing taxes on agricultural income and on retail sales of petroleum produced in Assam as well as coal.

The Assam Government's next budget is also expected to outline a prohibition plan which may result in loss of revenue amounting to Rs. 4,50,000 annually.

PROHIBITION PLAN.

It is understood that the prohibition scheme will concentrate in the first instance on the total eradication of the opium habit which is rampant all over Assam.

It is further understood that Nowgong and Sibsagar districts in Upper Assam will be selected first for this prohibition experiment.

The budget session of the Assam Assembly is likely to commence immediately after the Tripuri session of the Congress in March.—United Press.

RELEASE OF POLITICALS

Assam Governor Gives His Assent

SHILLONG, Dec. 13.

The "United Press" is authoritatively informed that, on the eve of his departure on tour to-day, His Excellency the Governor has accorded his approval to the order for the release of all the nine political prisoners of Assam passed by the Bardoloi Ministry on December 8.—United Press.

Big Claim Against Health Officer

KARACHI, Dec. 13.

Gangabai, a Christian widow, has sued Mr. J. E. Howard, Assistant Port Health Officer, Karachi Port Trust, in the Judicial Commissioner's Court, claiming Rs. 20,000 as compensation for alleged knocking down her son and disabling him for life.—United Press.

Reserve Bank Employees To Confer

MADRAS, Dec. 13.

The third conference of the All-India Reserve Bank Employees' Association will be held in Madras on December 26 next. The Hon. Mr. V. V. Giri, will inaugurate the Conference, and the Hon. Mr. Ramdas Pantulu will preside.—United Press.

Edgar Wallace's Detective Story Day By Day

INSPECTOR WADE — *GUNMAN'S BLUFF*

WHILE WADE BATTLES THE SWIRLING RIVER TO SAVE CONNORS....
GREAT WORK, FINDING THIS SECRET PANEL, BOGGS..... IT'S TH' TRAIL, ALL RIGHT!
I DON'T WANT NO THANKS. BLIMEY, ALLS I WANT IS HINSPECTOR WADE, SAFE AN' SOUND!
THEY BEEN 'ERE, SIR. I KNOW THEY BEEN 'ERE! THEY TOOK 'IM ORF SOMEWHERES!
HERE'S A PASSAGE-WAY, SIR!
TH' RIVER! I FELT IT IN ME BONES — HINSPECTOR WADE, 'E'S DOWN THERE WIV HIS LUNGS FULL O' WATER!

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